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News Briefs

GDS Senior Play is May 8

The Glades Day School Class of '98 will be presenting their senior play, "Funny Bones: The Silence of the Lambs" on Friday evening, May 8, at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center. Reserved seat tickets are available from any Glades Day senior, or you may call Becky Watson at 996-7482.

Meeting times to change for Belle Glade Commission

Belle Glade City Commission meetings, which traditionally have been on the second and fourth Monday of the month, will change beginning May 18.

Commissioners voted to change the meeting date to the first and third Monday of the month at 7 p.m. The commission will have a final reading on the ordinance change at the April 27 meeting.

Softball meeting planned

Organizers are planning a summer softball league meeting for Tuesday, April 28 at 7:30 p.m. at Belle Glade City Hall. Anyone interested in participating in a summer league is invited to attend. If enough interest is shown, a women's league will also be formed. Anyone needing additional information can call J.D. Patrick at 996-0106 or Mark Allen at 924-4850.

Community service projects sought by Elks Lodge

The Belle Glade Elks Lodge is seeking six community service projects to adopt under its 1998-99 social and community welfare agenda. Projects should be limited to specific tasks or items and designed to benefit an individual in need.

To be considered for a project, participants should submit a hand-written or typed letter of request detailing the need, the project, and providing information on the recipient to: Project, Belle Glade Elks Lodge, P.O. Box 733, Belle Glade, FL 33430-0733. Requests must be received by May 6, 1998.

Med-Mobile to be in Pahokee in April

With the closing of Everglades Regional Medical Center in Pahokee residents are in need of alternative medical services.

The Glades Med-Mobile is meeting those needs. They will be at St. Mary's Catholic Church on April 23 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and on Rardin Avenue on April 27 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. They will return to St. Mary's Catholic Church on April 30 at the same times.

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Little Mr. & Miss and Fishing contest winners!

Lake Level

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OVER 300 CHILDREN TURNED OUT Saturday morning to participate in the annual Black Gold Jubilee Children's Fishing Contest at the Belle Glade Marina. All the children received free tackle boxes, t-shirts from the Bank of Belle Glade and a free meal, courtesy of the Belle Glade Burger King.

Pahokee candidate profiles, upcoming election May 5

Editor's note: Six candidates are vying for three seats on the Pahokee City Commission. Current Commission Keith Bab is running unopposed for his seat. We featured three of the candidates in last week's edition of The Sun and the final three this week. The election is May 5.

Alvis Davis

Alvis Davis, 54, is not new to politics. He has tried to win a seat on the Pahokee City commission several times since he was a councilman in 1986. Then he stepped down after 10 months to run for the mayor's position, but was unsuccessful. Mr. Davis, of 819 Bacom Point Road, Pahokee is a lifelong resident of the city.

He is running for the mayor's seat currently held by John Norman. He says he wants to help the city recover from some of the hardships the town has faced the past few years. "I've just seen the town go down so dramatically in the last 10-12 years. I think that to have change, you have to make a change."

Mr. Davis is a foundation contractor and rental property owner. He and his wife, Sandi, have a nine-year-old son, Alvis Davis II, and a 19-month-old daughter.



Alvis Davis

Michaela. He served in the 82nd Airborne Division from 1963 to 1966 and spent 15 months in the Dominican Republic. He is a member of the Pahokee Elks Lodge 1638 and the First Baptist Church of Pahokee.

"I'd like to represent the special interests of Pahokee, not the special interest in Pahokee," said Mr. Davis.

Ken Law

Ken Law, 51, says he's running for the residents. "I want to see a better city," he said.

Sgt. Law, of 890 East Main Street, retired from the Air Force after 25 years. He served in Vietnam, Thailand and Germany. He is a newcomer to politics and moved to the area from Montgomery, Alabama in 1993. He is one of three Air Force ROTC instructors at Pahokee High School. He is challenging Henry Crawford, also a newcomer to the political arena. He and his wife, JoAnne, have two sons, three daughters and three grandchildren.

He is a director on the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce and a director in the Pahokee Rotary. He has served on the city's Beautification Committee and the Lakefront Committee.



Ken Law

"The lakefront has tremendous potential for tourism," he said. "Lately, we have seen more dollars leave town than come into town," he notes.

Pete Moore

Pete Moore is running for his fourth term on the city commission. Mr. Moore, 74, is a guide on Lake Okeechobee and has lived in the area since 1969. He and his wife, Mary Alice, have three sons and a daughter, 17 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. "I'm still excited after six years," said Mr. Moore. "We have a lot of things going on and a lot of things to do. This is my home and it's going to stay my home."

While the hospital closing is a big concern for Mr. Moore, he says, "something good will come out of this." Mr. Moore is past president of the Pahokee High School Athletic Club, a member of the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce, a Rotarian for 17 years and on the board of directors of the Glades Community Development Corporation and the Med-Mobile.

He is a graduate of the University of Dayton, Ohio and holds a business degree.



Pete Moore

Plane crashes in lake

By Brenda Bunting
Editor

A single engine plane plunged into Lake Okeechobee Sunday afternoon after the pilot reported problems with his engine cutting out.

Pilot Robert Krebs of Boca Raton was flying from Lantana when his Mark 66 plane began having engine trouble. He told

police he tried to make it to the Pahokee Airport but went down in the lake. Pahokee Fire Chief Gary Burroughs said a boater, Donald Powell, went to the site of the accident and rescued Mr. Krebs, who was clinging to the wing of the aircraft. Chief Burroughs said Mr. Krebs had suffered very minor injuries in the crash.

No quick fix for school woes, say officials

Back to Basics:

Glades schools work to improve students' math, reading and writing scores

Seventh in a series

By Katrina Elsken

Contributing Editor
They call it "the list."

Administrators, teachers and students are acutely aware of their school's status on the Florida Commissioner of Education's Critical Schools List.

They are embarrassed by the stigma of being on the list. They are working hard to get their schools off the list and keep them off.

Over the next few weeks, this series in The Sun will look at some of the reasons why Glades area children have scored so poorly on reading, writing and

math tests in the past. We'll look at some of the changes schools have made, and at the progress they have seen from these changes.

We'll also look at ways the Palm Beach County School District, under pressure from the State Department of Education, is now helping the Glades schools get back on track.

The elementary schools in the Glades have taken a "back to basics" approach, stressing the importance of reading, writing and math skills.

School officials say there are no easy answers, no quick fixes. It will take time to get the students up to national-grade level in the basic skills. But they are determined to make sure the students will succeed.

A change in reading programs could be the key to improving the students' scores.

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LITTLE TREE CLIMBERS...These small kids had a good time fishing in the Black Gold Jubilee Children's Fishing Contest. When their time to fish was up, they also had a good time climbing the tree near the marina pavilion. Shown are Benjamin Threlkeld, Ashley Chaney and Jonathan Jones.

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proving reading and writing scores for Glades area schools.

"Whole language is now out. Structure is in," said Belle Glade Elementary School Principal Glenda Garrett.

The Whole Language philosophy, which gained popularity in education circles about ten years ago, used a less structured approach to reading.

"Whole Language was probably great for kids who were already reading on grade level," she said. "It probably works well for students who are self-motivated and are coming to school as readers."

Most Glades area schools now use the Success For All program, which is a highly structured reading program, said the principal.

"These students are responding to it better," she said. She said with the old program, students were divided into reading groups within their classes.

"Now you have 90 minutes of students reading at the same

level," she said.

The principal said the more structured program is better for the students who come from homes that may not emphasize the importance of reading or of education.

She said it is also better for new teachers.

"Because we have so many new teachers coming to the Glades, having a structured program for reading is good," she said.

"This program will bring results if taught appropriately," she said.

"We're not looking for a Band-Aid approach. We're looking for something to give us stability," she said. "We want to get off the (critical schools) list and stay off the list."

At Rosenwald Elementary, Principal Barbara Terembas said veteran teachers have had to rethink their teaching methods.

"It's not that there was anything wrong with the way they

were teaching," she added. "It just didn't work with these students."

Some teaching methods, "just don't work with this set of kids at this time," she said. "We have to change the way we teach."

Barbara Clark, language arts specialist with the Palm Beach County School Board, said some teachers adhered to the "whole language philosophy and some did not."

With traditional reading programs, students are taught individual skills and then put the skills together as they learn to read.

"You start with the pieces and then put them together," she said. "For example, you would learn the letter sounds and then do worksheets dealing with those sounds. Then you might read a story that used words with those sounds."

"With whole language, teachers believe you start with the whole and then learn the pieces," she said. "It resulted in children in the lower grades being exposed to more stories, instead of doing a lot of work-

sheets not relating to a story."

She said changes in the reading programs in the Glades schools came about due to several factors three years ago.

The "critical schools" list, which showed the majority of students in Glades were not reading at grade level, came out when the state was in the process of writing a statewide curriculum, she said.

"The children's test scores were examined to see where their weaknesses were," she said. "Changes in instruction were made in response to the lower test scores."

Most of the Glades elementary schools use "Success for All," she said. Pahokee Elementary School uses a different program, she said, because they had just purchased a new program the year before, were happy with the results and wanted to continue with it.

She said it is too soon to tell how well those changes are working because to really see if a program works you have to evaluate students who started with that program in kindergarten and then worked in it

through third grade.

She said of the schools in Palm Beach County, Lincoln Elementary School in Riviera Beach has used the Success For All program the longest. She said they are starting to see improvement in that school's test scores.

On the 1996 California Test of Basic Skills (CTBS) Lincoln Elementary third graders scored in the 26th percentile in reading. As fourth graders on the 1997 test, those students scored in the 36th percentile. On the 1996 test, Lincoln fourth graders scored in the 27th percentile in reading. On the 1997 CTBS test, those fifth graders scored in the 34th percentile. The national average for the CTBS is the 50th percentile. A school is considered "critically-low scoring" by the state, if it falls below the 33rd percentile.

Ms. Clark said in the Glades, the most significant factor affecting how the children learn is poverty.

The Glades area schools have a large percentage of children from low-income families. According to the Florida Depart-

ment of Education report, the majority of Glades children are on the free or reduced-price lunch program, which uses the federal government poverty level guidelines.

According to the DOE report, 84 percent of Belle Glade Elementary School students are on free or reduced-price lunch; 83 percent of the students at Gove Elementary; 85.5 percent of the students at Glade View Elementary; 69.2 percent at Pahokee Elementary; 86.3 percent of the students at Pioneer Park Elementary; 81.2 percent of the students at Rosenwald Elementary School; and 83 percent of the students at K.E.C. Canal Point Elementary School.

"If your parents are working in the fields from dawn to dusk, I would think when they come home they collapse," she said.

"The responsibilities are different," she said. "A nine-year-old may have to go home from school and take care of younger siblings."

"It's not that they aren't smart or aren't knowledgeable," she said. "It's just different knowledge from what we're testing for."

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Anyone with a medical need is encouraged to visit the Med-Mobile on the dates given.

More chances to win in Black Gold 5K Walk/Run

Participants in Saturday's Black Gold Jubilee 5K Walk/Run have six more chances to win since the committee changed the age categories.

The old rules had up to a 15 year span for some age groups. The new rules set a shorter year span for runners. The new categories to compete are: 14 and under, 15 to 20; 21-30; 31-40; 41-50; 51-60; 61-plus.

For additional information contact Dianne Carter at 996-0400.

Health Fair '98 is Friday

Pahokee Middle/Senior High School's Medicine and Allied Health Program is hosting Health Fair '98 this Friday, April 24 from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Participants can learn more about Health Maintenance, Sports Medicine, Alternative Medicine, and Women's Wellness. Refreshments will be available. To participate call 924-6400.

Children's Day is April 30

The Palm Beach County Child Care Director's Association is sponsoring "Children's Day in the Park" on Thursday, April 30, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Airport Park, Belle Glade.

All programs serving pre-school children in the Glades are invited to participate in this day of festivities. A donation of \$1 per child is requested to help defray the cost of the many activities. Parents and children should wear comfortable clothes, bring something to sit on and a wholesome lunch and water for their children.

Meetings at Glade View

Glade View Elementary School's Advisory Council will present the School Improvement/Title I Plan for 1998-99 on Thursday, April 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the Media Center.

Parents are encouraged to attend. Contact Cyndi Stigall or Jessie P. Terry at 993-4035 if you have questions.

Parents and teachers of children entering kindergarten are also invited to a free parent workshop on Saturday, April 25 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with registration and breakfast beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Monthly meeting of PHS Class of 1978

The regular monthly meeting for the Class of 1978 Pahokee High School will be Saturday, April 25 at 5 p.m. at the home of Dewey Jackson, III at 106 South Greentear Avenue, Pahokee.

All members of the Class of 1978 are asked to attend and bring a covered dish and money for a drawing.

For further information call Diane Freeman at 924-2867 or Teresa Byrnes at 924-2006 until 4:30 p.m. or evenings at 924-5674.

Rainbow of Color Banquet is May 2

The Women of New Bethel Baptist Church will present the Rainbow of Color Banquet Saturday, May 2, 7 p.m. at Lake Shore Civic Center, 1224 S.W. Avenue E. Belle Glade.

The community is invited to share an evening of entertainment and dining as they salute Christians for their longevity in service to New Bethel and the community.

To participate, call Violet Edward at 996-2841. The attire is formal or semi-formal.

Mobile Spay/Neuter Clinic to be in Pahokee

The Spay Shuttle, a low cost mobile spay/neuter clinic, will be at Foodland Grocery Store, 600 E. Main Street, during the month of May.

For only \$1 (free for those on public assistance programs) residents can have their cats or dog taken care of, including a rabies shot and tag.

The Spay Shuttle will be at Foodland between 8 and 9 a.m. on May 6-9, May 13-16 and May 20-23. Cats must be in a closed carrier and dogs must be leashed.

The event is sponsored by the Palm Beach County Animal Care and Control. For more information, call them at 561-233-SPAY.

Belle Glade Chamber offers "Hometown Handshake"

The Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a "Hometown Handshake" on Thursday, April 30 at 6 p.m. at Fat Boys in South Bay.

Chamber members and non-members are invited to participate. Cost for chamber members is \$5 and the cost for non-members is \$7. Everyone is invited to come and eat and enjoy the hospitality.

For more information, call the chamber at 996-2745.

Pot Luck in the Muck is looking for stories

Are you interested in the Glades' history? Do you know someone who has a humorous, emotional or memorable Glades' story that you would like to tell? Are you a "pack-rat" and don't throw anything out? Then, "Pot Luck in the muck" is looking for you!

"Pot Luck in the muck" is a group of Glades residents who have come together to tell the Glades story in an entertaining and dynamic way through skits, stories, and songs. With a little luck and a whole lot of work, "Pot Luck in the muck" will tell the story of who we are... by reminding us of who we were.

Right now, there are two immediate production needs that we are asking the community to help us with.

The first is the immediate need for transcribers. That is, people who can listen to some of the audio tapes of interviews that have already been collected and write up those stories. If you can volunteer your time and talent, please call Carmen Canales at 992-9500.

The second need is for old clothing. We are looking for period clothing for the play. If you are the type who doesn't throw away a thing, please rummage through your items and look for clothing from the 1920's through the 1950's. Then donate them to this worthy cause by bringing them to the Glades Community Development Corporation (GCDC) office, Glades Unity Plaza at 425 West Canal Street, North in Belle Glade through May 15, 1998.

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HEALTH WATCH

Get a dog - get some exercise

By Katrina Elsen

January is often the month Americans choose to start new diets. With the temptations of the holidays past and the promise of a new year, a common resolution is to lose those unwanted pounds.

Of course, the only way to lose weight and keep it off is to change your lifestyle, eat a nutritionally-balanced healthy diet and exercise regularly.

But some people need a gimmick.

So here's one that worked for me: Get a dog.

In order to live a healthier lifestyle, it is recommended that you get up early and exercise every day.

After adopting a German



Katrina Elsen

Shepherd-mix puppy in April 1996, I found these lifestyle changes necessary to dog ownership. I had to get up early to walk him or believe me, I would regret it later. Like a small child, when a puppy lets you know he has to go, it means

right now, not after five more minutes of sleep. And my four-legged alarm clock never slept past 6 a.m.

As long as I was up and awake from venturing out in the morning air, I figured I might as well eat breakfast, another must for the health-conscious.

As for exercising every day, if you have a dog that mostly lives indoors you don't have much choice about that. If my puppy didn't get his evening walk, he would become so restless that he would bounce off the walls all night, keeping the whole family awake.

Since I started with a 15-pound puppy who grew into a 100-pound dog in a year's time,

the walks by necessity became longer and faster as the weeks went by. By the end of the year, "walking" the dog, actually meant doing the first mile at a fast jog just to let him get rid of some excess energy. Of course by then neighbors began to ask me just who was walking who. (I actually attempted it once on roller skates -- but don't try that at home.)

Of course between meal snacking on things like cookies, ice cream and potato chips is a no-no for dieters. And with a sad-eyed puppy staring at me, I felt too guilty to snack. I knew that "human" food is bad for dogs, so I couldn't share. But he didn't make any fuss if I munched on fresh fruit or car-

rot sticks. He seemed completely confused as to why anyone would want to nibble rabbit food but showed no desire to try it himself.

As I said, it worked for me. Now pet ownership is a big responsibility and I don't recommend it as a "fad diet." But sometimes a four-legged diet buddy can help.

(Note: Cats are no help whatsoever. They let you sleep late, refuse to take walks and don't mind in the least if you consume an entire batch of chocolate chip cookies... so long as you share the milk.)

Health Notes

A recent television study on those who live past age 100

found most of them have five things in common.

- They are early morning risers.

- They eat breakfast every day. (I told you your mother was right.)

- They have strong religious or spiritual beliefs.

- They profess to believe in moderation in all things. They do not smoke cigarettes.

- They pay attention to their own health, making sure they eat a nutritionally-balanced diet and exercise regularly. They also have regular medical checkups to catch any problems in the early, and most easily treatable, stages.

Slide your way to better fitness

By Michele Young, RN & Certified Fitness Instructor

Participants are sliding their way into better cardiovascular fitness and higher basal metabolism rates and they're having a lot of fun doing it! Slide Reebok classes are now available in Belle Glade through the City of Belle Glade Parks and Recreation Department on Tuesday evenings from 6:15 to 7 p.m.

Slide is an intensely aerobic activity that is practically zero-impact. This means that the slide workout challenges the cardiovascular system (the heart, lungs and blood vessels) without the jarring stress that accompanies other aerobic activities like aerobic, dance, running, court sports and walking.

Slide is also referred to as "lateral movement training" and was originally discovered by off-season athletes like skiers, skaters and hockey players. Due to the extremely low amount of impact it puts on the skeletal system, and the intense cardiovascular benefits

derived from it, attention from the fitness industry soon brought slide to the aerobic studio.

Slide takes place on a "slide-board" that is rolled out onto the floor. Special "socks" are placed over a regular pair of athletic shoes, and the slider begins the workout. The primary muscles involved are in the

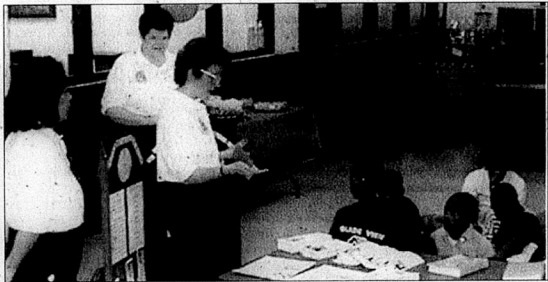
and aerobic classes for varying fitness levels are available to prepare individuals who feel they would like to participate in Slide Reebok classes later. People with special health concerns (i.e., rehabilitation patients or pre- and post-partum patients) should ALWAYS consult their nurse practitioner or physician when beginning an exercise program.

While steps and weights are provided for the other classes offered by the Parks and Recreation Department, individuals must buy their own slides. Slides by Reebok are the only type of slide recommended, due to safety reasons. For information about Slide Reebok, Step Reebok

or any of the Reebok Versa-Training classes available through the Parks and Recreation Department, call 996-0100 or stop by before class and speak to the instructor. Classes are Monday through Wednesday, starting at 5:30 p.m. All classes are taught by Registered Nurse and Certified Fitness Instructor, Michele Young. Classes are located at the Belle Glade Municipal Civic Center. There is a small fee per class.

upper and lower legs and the arms. But the abdominal and back muscles are almost constantly stabilizing the body during this workout, so they benefit, too! The muscle that probably attains the greatest benefit is the one not visibly seen - the heart!

Wednesday night slide class is for the general, fit population. All participants should consult their nurse practitioner or physician before beginning any exercise program. Strength



Representatives from the Glades Health Care District gave a presentation to children of the Boys & Girls Club about the risk of Tuberculosis. They also informed the children about the Tuberculosis survey that is being conducted in the Glades area. Representatives encouraged the children to inform their families and friends about the disease and to participate in the survey.

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To voice your opinion on any subject, call *Speak Out* at 996-6636, 24 hours a day. Readers can use this special number to pose questions, voice complaints, express opinions or pat somebody on the back. Unlike letters to the editor, *Speak Out* is designed for anonymous expression of opinions. We edit calls for clarity, brevity, relevance and fairness.

Where's the accountability?

"Late there has been a lot in the news about the government overspending for materials, parts and services. Well not only does the taking advantage of the taxpayers occur in the upper government agencies, local government is probably just as free with the taxpayers' money. This is the latest in incredible stories that I have heard. A Pahokee City employee, driving his father's personal vehicle commits a traffic violation, causes an automobile accident. It turns out the personal vehicle has no insurance. The City assumes liability for the accident, responsibility for the vehicle and individuals involved. The City pays to fix the personal vehicle for the father of the employee that caused the accident while violating the law, and of course the father is also a City employee."

My questions are... Where is the accountability of the City Manager to the citizens? Is he free to spend taxpayers' money for whatever he wants without the commission ever knowing that this expense was approved? Why should the City assume the liability for the irresponsibility of the employee that had no insurance, which is a violation of the law? The excuse was that the employee was ordered to use the vehicle. Why was the vehicle on the job site? Surely the owner of the vehicle knew that it was not covered by insurance.

Why, again must the taxpayers clean up the mess for sloppy management? What was the overall cost for this little incident that has been swept under the rug?

Drinking in front of store

"To the beer drinkers - you have some in the back corner of the west side of the store and out front you have some right up front by the road with their group of cars parked in the way."

Why can't they take two or three cases of their choice of beer and go to someone's house, or why not private land and drink out of everyone's way? We need a law like Clevelston and for it to be enforced.

If they enjoy their drinking, take it to a bar or other places. The store is a carry out, not an out front bar.

The ones I'm talking about is on Airport Road across from the sugar mill.

Don't you know they still have to drive home after they have been there for a couple of hours?

Tired of asking about the light

"Hi. Good Morning. I would like to say it is a

shame how the city or whoever is in charge of this project is spending so much time in town taking down lights and hanging new lights for these intersections. Many people have called in and complained about the problems there at Winn Dixie and Burger King and all in that area and yet the city or some other company has yet failed to install the traffic lights. I understand there is a time limit or they are taking care of other things but why do they spend so much time on other intersections that don't even really have traffic there, yet they are putting off this intersection where people have been injured and even killed.

I am tired of speaking out about it and so are other people in the city. It is a shame how they are doing this. Just please address this issue again. Thank You, I appreciate it.

Editor's note: I know it may seem as if nothing is being done right now, but work is progressing at that intersection. The city assures me they are trying to work out the snags that have that light delayed and hopefully, we will see a traffic light there soon. In the mean time, I urge residents to slow down in that area. Many drivers are traveling entirely too fast and are making the situation worse.

Shooting was dangerous

I am calling about the incident that happened last night on 815 in Pahokee. Someone was trying to break into some man's house and he was out there just shooting, shooting, shooting and he was talking about he was going to kill up all the (blacks) that walked by.

I don't feel that is right because the police didn't do anything. Suppose an innocent bystander had been coming from church or just walking by?

This man was saying he was going to kill all the (blacks). All the (blacks) didn't have anything to do with him shooting at somebody because they were trying to break into his house.

The police didn't do anything but just talked to him and I feel like something should have been done. They should have kept him overnight or something.

You don't just shoot out of your door saying you are going to kill all the people of a certain race. We are Afro-Americans and we don't like it when people who live on the street call racial slurs. The police should have taken him down that night, but they didn't."

Editor's note: This *Speak Out* was edited while, hopefully, retaining the caller's message.



Energy-saving air conditioners could provide taxpayer relief

By Kristen Vecellio
University of Florida News

University of Florida researchers seeking to trim air-conditioning costs in large buildings have found new techniques they say could save taxpayers and consumers hundreds of thousands of dollars annually.

In fact, they say, measures already in place at the Alachua County jail will save more than \$100,000 a year, and plans are under way to take similar measures at some UF buildings, where they estimate annual savings could approach a half-million dollars.

In many cases, finding ways to cut costs starts with a simple reality check.

"How a building functions is often different from the designer's intentions," said Michael West, a mechanical engineering specialist with UF's Energy Extension Service. "We look for inefficiencies dug to old technology and then retrofit new technology solutions."

The situation at the jail arose when its architect, trying to end a humidity problem at the jail that could have led to uncontrolled mold growth, installed a hot-water reheat system that uses heat to control the humidity levels. The problem was, it caused the jail's energy bills to nearly triple.

"We wanted to find a more efficient way to run the buildings that was less expensive," West said.

To reduce the costs, the Energy Extension Service suggested installing heat pipes, which transfer heat inside the air system from one area to another to stabilize humidity levels.

During a further evaluation of the jail, West discovered there was more air flowing into the building than the occupants needed, making the rooms sticky.

The solution: Reduce the amount of air circulating through the air system, which required the air conditioners to work less.

West also found the air-conditioning units at

the jail were installed direct from the manufacturer, so the settings were not adjusted to accommodate the building. Simply readjusting the units was the cost-effective answer to the problem. In addition, West said, some air-conditioning units at the jail were twice the size needed. As the units age, they will be replaced with properly-sized models.

With the valuation of the jail an apparent cost-saving success, West and the Energy Extension Service have been asked to seek ways to cut the energy costs at UF.

West evaluated buildings that house the university's microbiology and cell science department, the entomology/nematology department and the College of Veterinary Medicine. All the buildings require 100 percent fresh air to be flushed through laboratories to remove harmful chemicals.

Supplying that much fresh air continuously not only is expensive, West said, it's also unnecessary because the labs are not in use all the time. He developed a plan to install motion sensors and variable-speed motors in the buildings. If there is no motion in the labs, there's no need to pump large amounts of air through the rooms. And if fume hoods are closed, indicating no use of chemicals and no need for ventilation, but motion is detected, the motors will adjust according to the situation, reducing energy costs.

"We want to make the buildings' computer-controlled air systems smarter," West said.

He estimated the changes could save the university nearly \$500,000 a year.

West and the Energy Extension Service hope to evaluate more buildings and create a set of easy-to-follow guidelines for the university and others so energy-saving measures can be put in place before construction begins.

"It's much more expensive to do it after construction, for public and private buildings alike," West said.

New software allows consumers to try before buying on the web

University of Florida News

Gainesville—A software building block to help put virtual products on the World Wide Web, where they will look and behave like the real thing, is being released this month by a team of University of Florida researchers.

The new software package is called MOOSE, which stands for Multimodeling Object-Oriented Simulation Environment, and the developers say it will create a new world for consumers.

"You'll be able to drive a car on the Web before buying it, or walk around inside a house on the market and test the faucets," said Paul Fishwick, an associate professor of computer science and engineering at UF whose research team developed the package. "Even (virtual reality markup language) cannot demonstrate how a product behaves. VRML simply lets you 'walk' around a model of a car. Up to now there has been no dynamic model that tells the virtual car how to act like a car."

MOOSE software, which Fishwick calls "very portable," will be freely available to researchers for modeling, simulation and visualization.

"Modeling the geometry of an object has already become common," Fishwick said. "But the ability to model the behavior of virtual products is at the top of everyone's wish list. Because MOOSE opens the door to true interactivity through object-oriented behavioral modeling, it promises to be a first step into a not-too-distant consumer Nirvana where you can try out products on the World Wide Web -- before you buy."

"Software technology such as hypertext markup language (HTML) has created the Web

as we know it, and virtual reality markup language has created a world of 3-D on the Web," he said. "The next big step in creating the Web of tomorrow consists with a markup language that can model behavior, not just a product's three geometric dimensions."

Fishwick said MOOSE contains a special modeling language called distributed modeling markup language, or DMML.

"DMML can be a ground-floor major player and back bone for standardizing the construction of Web-based virtual products that behave like the real thing," he said. "This backbone is essential before we can create a world of more and better virtual experiences. In that better world, engineering students will be able to program virtual behavior into their computer models, scientists will be able to see how combinations of chemicals will behave and sportsmen will be able to test a rod and reel."

Fishwick expects DMML will lead to an industry standard for behavioral object modeling. Standardization, he said, is good news for consumers because it can open the door to universal access to Web-based virtual products.

"Models must be standardized to allow universal consumer access," said Fishwick. "The good news for the consumer will be that once model standardization is a reality, manufacturers of real products will be forced -- either through industry standards or competition -- to include a digital counterpart of whatever real product they sell on their Web sites. MOOSE can provide this standardization."

More information on MOOSE can be found on the Web at <http://www.cise.ufl.edu/fishwick/>

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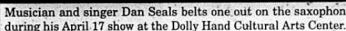
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Volunteers are needed to tutor or mentor youth. A volunteer training session is scheduled for May 11 at 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Mrs. Thompson at 924-5922, extension 207.

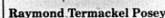
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William A. Lee

† Revival services held at Good Shepherd Church of God

Pastor James Brewer of Good Shepherd Church of God invites the public to attend revival services with Evangelist William A. Lee of Cleveland, Tennessee. Rev. Lee currently serves as National Evangelist for the Churches of God. He travels extensively throughout the United States and abroad preaching at state camp meetings, chapel services, and conventions. Last year he conducted a very successful revival at Good Shepherd. Services will be held nightly beginning April 26-29 at 7 p.m. except Sunday at 6 p.m. A nursery will be provided for children five years of age and under. The church is located at 1800 Bacon Point Road, Pahokee.



Laurente Gamma Zeta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi - (L to R) Janice Fliehs-vice president, Nancy Carpenter-recording secretary, Mary Frances Burke-corresponding secretary and Eloise Hooker-extension officer.

Sorority News

The Laurente Gamma Zeta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held their April meeting at the home of "D" Luce.

Installation of officers was the first order of business with the following officers installed: president - Janice Fliehs, vice-president - Nancy Carpenter, recording secretary - Mary Frances Burke, corresponding secretary - Eloise Hooker, extension officer - Virginia Anderson, treasurer - Echo Painter, who is also "Sister of the Year".

The sorority had the Exemplar Degree bestowed upon the following: Mary Frances Burke, Echo Painter and Evelyn McKee.

Overall the sorority had an exciting evening as they welcomed Jeannet Cearley into the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. They are very happy to have her in their chapter.

Following the meeting, refreshments were served. See picture above.

Mu Rho Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Belle Glade, has declared Saturday, April 25, AKA Black Dollar Day.

On this day, the group is encouraging Glades area black consumers to join them in utilizing black-owned businesses and businesses based within the black community when making purchases. Black consumers can also hear "their economic voices be heard" by patronizing businesses outside of the community using currency marked with black tabs.

The goal of this one-day event is "Attaining Economic Empowerment." The organization believes that "African Americans have

failed to leverage their buying power within their local communities, thus being denied access to wealth - politically, socially, and economically."

Nationally, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., boasting 140,000+ members, has an extensive international economic agenda that promotes new business development, strengthening of existing black businesses, grantsmanship workshops, personal money management seminars, organization of investment clubs, and a host of other beneficial economic programs.

The AKA's have also encouraged businesses to show their support of the black consumer by having a customer appreciation day during this event. It is hoped that data collected from this event will reflect an increase in revenues, as well as, make business owners aware of the support afforded them by the black consumer.

Mu Rho Omega Chapter's AKA Black Dollar Day, will also kick off the compilation of the organization's Glades Area Black-owned/Community Based Businesses & Services Directory. If your business or service is interested in being showcased, contact Thelma Jackson at 561-996-4300.



Spreading the word...At the April 13 meeting of the Community United Methodist Church Women's Group, speakers (L to R) Alice Rigdon, Ann Robinson, Ed Robinson and Pat Hood explained in depth how the food pantry at the First Baptist Church of Belle Glade works. Members of Community United make regular donations to the food pantry.

Kearse serving on Navy aircraft carrier

By Karen M. Golembieski
Navy Public Affairs Center

Our country's naval force faces a far different world than it did 10 years ago. Gone are the days of the cold war, replaced with threats from many different enemies in many different parts of the world. From fighting terrorism around the world to anti-drug operations off our own coast, our Navy has to be prepared to answer the call, anytime anywhere.

One Sailor standing by to answer the call is Hasten Kearse III, son of Hasten Kearse, Jr. of Belle Glade. Kearse is stationed onboard USS Dwight D. Eisenhower, an aircraft carrier-homeported in Norfolk, Va. The carrier is making preparations to leave later this month for an extended deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and North Arabian Sea operating areas.

Carriers have been called America's most flexible tool for diplomacy because of their ability to tailor a response for any crisis - everything from a full air strike, to evacuation of American citizens in a natural disaster, to search and rescue operations. And their forward-deployed nature means Sailors and Marines like Kearse are often the first to arrive in



Hasten Kearse III

those situations.

Like many young people, Kearse enlisted in the Navy for travel and adventure. "I have an attraction to water and wanted to sail," said the 30-year-old petty officer second class.

As an electrician's mate, Kearse is a valuable member of the Dwight D. Eisenhower's crew. "I am a cargo weapon elevator technician," he said. "I am presently working in the engineering electrical division in flight deck power as assistant work center supervisor. Flight deck power is responsible for the electrical maintenance of all aircraft elevators which bring the planes from the hangar bay."

"We are also responsible for all the navigation lights

onboard, including the runway lights, and the aviation electrical starting station which gives the planes voltage to start up," he added.

Kearse, who is married to the former Sherri Lodge and has three children, Shatasia, Shaquella and Hasten, says that separation from his family is difficult. "It's quite hard on them, but we manage," he said. "Prayer, faith and love keep us strong."

A 1986 graduate of Hyde Park High School in Hyde Park, Mass., Kearse said serving his country is not only an honor but an intense learning experience. "The most important thing I've learned in the Navy is teamwork. Also, always set high goals for yourself and no matter how bad things get, never give up."

Appreciative of the many opportunities, Kearse plans to remain in the Navy until retirement. "Then I would like to pursue a career as a Massachusetts state trooper or firefighter."

No matter what his future holds, Kearse will always be able to look back on his time in the Navy with fond memories and pride in his service to his country.

(Official U.S. Navy photograph by Paul Thomas.)

In Sweet Loving Memory of Margaret H. Mosley



Margaret Mosley passed away one year ago.

Margaret was a charter member of the Glades Historical Society, who served in all capacities. She was a leader who did her job well.

We truly miss her and everything she stood for. She worked tirelessly to preserve the history of the Glades.

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Glades Bay Gator Tales

Students at Glades Day breathed a sigh of relief as they finished their final exams for the fifth six weeks' grading period last Friday. Just think - only six more weeks of school left!

Of course, there will be so many things happening over the next six weeks that time will just seem to fly by and graduation will be here before you know it - at least that's what the seniors hope. They are looking forward to a night with the world's most famous mouse when they attend Walt Disney World's Grad Nite this Friday, April 24. The group will leave GDS at 7 p.m. and return at 8 a.m., Saturday. And if they have any qualms about missing any sleep, they will have plenty of time to make up for it with an extended weekend, due to Senior Skip Day on Monday, April 27. We're sure there will be plenty of sun 'n fun on that day, with many probably headed for the beach to work on their tan for the Junior/Senior prom that will be the next Friday, May 1.

The seniors are also busy rehearsing for their Senior Class Play, *Funny Bones*, which is a comedy satire of *Silence of the Lambs*. This year's production will be held at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center on Friday, May 8. Unlike other years, the play will only be held one evening, so don't be left out. You may purchase your ticket for \$10 (which includes hors d'oeuvres to be served after the



show) from Mrs. Cathy Lee in the high school office. Call 996-6769 now to reserve your tickets.

With the school year winding down, some faculty members are hoping to work in a field trip or two to give their students learning opportunities outside the classroom. Mrs. Dorinda Shuts' Art students in grades 9-12, along with selected students from Mrs. Marion Primmer's Computer II classes, visited the Norton Art Gallery earlier this month.

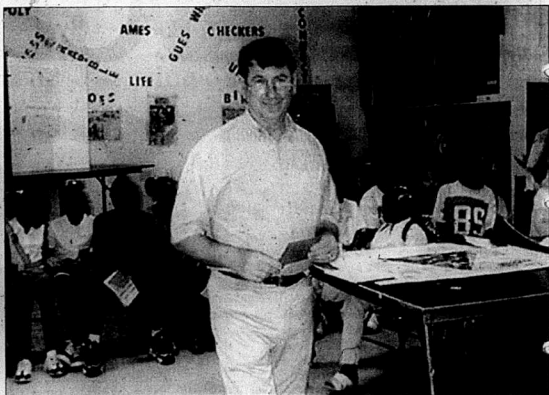
Mrs. Angie Mann's eighth grade Earth Science classes visited the Science Planetarium this week, and Mrs. Barbara Scruggs' Personal Law students will be observing a trial by jury in West Palm Beach this week and next.

If you're out at the Black Gold Jubilee this weekend, don't miss the chance to catch our own Junior Glee club in action on the main stage at 3 p.m., Saturday. They will be featuring a selection of light, up-tempo favorites.

The Gator band, will be presenting their Spring Concert on Tuesday, May 12, in McWhorter Hall. The Glee Club program will feature American musical styles, including spirituals, folk songs, and popular music from the 1920's to today. Admission will be \$2 for adults; \$1 for children, with the proceeds being used to enhance the music program.



The video production team at Kathryn E. Cunningham Canal Point Elementary visited U.B. Kinsley Elementary School of the Arts in West Palm Beach. They visited Ms. Morgan's video production class and spent the day at the school's studio learning how to operate the production and video equipment. The video production team produces a morning news show at the school as well as producing other school related videos. Pictured L to R (top) Argelia Cavillo, Latoria Butler, Emily Cruz, Brigidia Toribio, Lesia Miller, Mrs. Leatherman, (bottom) Johnny Neloms, Serena Robinson, Jentri Williams.



Mayor J. Stephen Weeks gave a welcome speech at last week's Boys & Girls Club Health Day. Students from all around the Glades area attended the event.

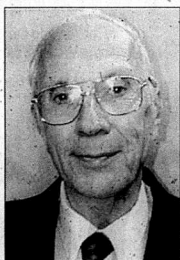


Glade View Elementary School held a ribbon cutting last week for Project Wonder, a program for preschool children. The children painted a mural on a wall at the school. There are caterpillars, butterflies, lady bugs and other little creatures in the painting. Mayor Weeks led the ribbon cutting and Ms. Fulford recited a celebration poem for the students and their parents.

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Clewiston Motor Sports Park

Friday, April 17, 1998 results:

By Swede Savage

There was some speeding going on in Clewiston last Friday night. It appears that summer is coming and will be here soon, as the evenings are getting much warmer. Racing took off at 8 p.m., running five classes of heat races, breaking for intermission and going right into the Feature events. The race of the night was in the street stock class. A twenty lap race with a large field and numerous cautions. It was the red Camero of Steve Medinger, #70, into the first turn and with only inches between him and second place #22, Joe Lott, and inches between the third place car of Kelly Higginbotham, #05. This was a three car race from beginning to end. Steve drove an absolutely perfect race staying low on the track surface not allowing Lott or Higginbotham to get a fender inside him.

"Half way point" the cars are still in the same position only now #22, Lott, has decided to try to go around the outside of Medinger. Lott was driving some kind of race! Lott pitches the blue #22 car sideways, through turns 1, 2, 3, and 4, always seeming to come up

just short of a full pass. Higginbotham in solid third trying to put the moves on Lott, also not able to get around to move into second. And that's how they finished.

The Driver of the Week normally goes to the driver who has done an outstanding job on that race night.

This week's Clewiston Motor Sports Park Driver of the Week goes to two drivers... #70, Steve Medinger from Naples, FL and #22, Joe Lott from Venus, FL, for some of the finest driving I have seen.

Drivers are listed from first to last place:

QUADS: #5 Rob Kohler, #17 Jason Aimaro, #31 Ricky Mortensen, #357 Charles Abbott, and #11 Jeff Smite.

SPORTSMAN: #70 Steve Medinger, #22 Joe Lott, #05 Kelly Higginbotham, #121 Ed Griesmeyer, #07 Steve Dunson, #32 Steve Griner, #28 Carl Haslam, #74 Tom Jarvis, #181 Michael Dunn, and #89 Carmine Izzo.

BOMBERS: #29 Jesse Brown, #22X Mike Loche, #74 Scott Williams, #01 Lonnie Byassee, #49 Steve Parrish,

#121 Ricky Smith, #12 Franklin Simmons, #42 Don Turner, #57 Pete Vargo, and #23 Lisa Lucas.

MINI STOCK: #02 Shane Ridgill, #50 Wally Davis, #13 Chris Caldwell, #7 Dean Hodges, and #64 Eric Westberry.

SPORTSMAN: #89 Perry Crowe, #96 Bob Steinmetz, #71 Tom Lusk, #6 Butch Thompson, #75 Cocoa Begtrup, #99 Johnny Allen, #73 Frank Drapal, and #16 Danny Pilon.

MINI MODIFIED: #4 Mark Barlow, #101 Andy Logan, #5 Rodney Maddox, #5aces Larry Frady, #13XX Ronnie Allen, #04 Brian Collier, #59 Perry Crowe, #10 Wayne Hildebrand, and #62 John Mesa.

That's all for this week.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

May 1 - Demolition Derby along with the normal racing program.

May 23 & 24 - Sprint Cars will be roaring into town for their two-day event.

Clewiston Motor Sports would like to thank a couple of their newest sponsors - Budweiser beer and Coca-Cola of Palm Beach. They have both signed five-year contracts with the race track.

Clewiston Motor Sports is located one mile north of State Road 80 on U.S. 27 between Clewiston and Moore Haven.

"See ya at the races!"

Fishing with Walt

The weather is finally starting to warm up here in south Florida. The wind is still a problem on some days. The water level in the lake is starting to fall (about a foot in the last week). This is giving us some more water that will stay clean as the grass gets closer to the surface and it stops the wave action from making the water dirty.

There are a lot of post spawn fish that will bite a plastic worm (June Bug color) and if the wind is blowing that day you can also catch them on a spinnerbait and jerk bait. Look for holes in the ell grass just outside the areas that they were bedding a few weeks ago. They move to the deeper water and stage there while recovering from the rigors of the spawn. They are not very aggressive so slow down your presentation. Also, use the lightest worm weight that you can feel so that the bait falls slowly when you cast to the holes in the ell grass.

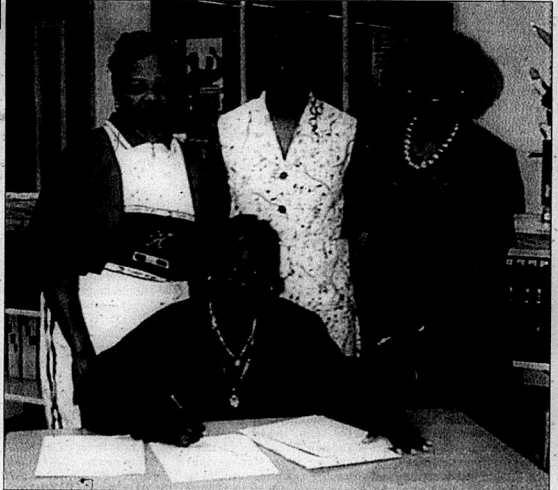
There are a few shellcracker and bluegill starting to spawn and these are in the same areas that the bass are using. If you find clean water look for their beds (large light colored circles) on a hard sandy bottom.

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A FOUR YEAR SCHOLARSHIP...Pahokee High Senior Brandi Pringle is shown signing a four year scholarship to play basketball at Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, Florida. Standing, from left are Brandi's grandmother Maggie Henderson, Mom Rose Whitfield and Pahokee High School Principal May Gamble.



THRELKELD GETS SCHOLARSHIP...Zack Threlkeld, a senior at Glades Day School, signs a scholarship to play for Cumberland University in Tennessee. Zack has attended Glades Day School for six years and has been the quarterback for two years. Zack was first team, all area, and first team, all state for GDS and was named a co-winner of the Most Valuable Player award last year at Glades Day. Zack is shown with his parents, Jennilee Threlkeld and Jeff Threlkeld and Coach Pete Walker.

Glades Track Club April 11 meet results

The Glades Track Club participated in the Palm Beach Invitational at Santalucas High School in Lantana April 11, 1998 under the coaching of Mike White. Results are as follows:

Geneeka Morris competed in Midget 11-12 placing 1st place in High Jump - 4' 0", 2nd place in Shot Put - 22' 1 1/2", 2nd place in 80 meter hurdles - 15:44, and 5th place in 800 meter run - 2:53.80.

Anita Perkins competed in Youth 13-14 placing 1st place in High Jump - 4' 6", 1st place in Shot Put - 30' 11", 1st place in 100 meter hurdles - 16:07, and 1st place in 800 meter run - 2:35.27.

Kristin White competed in Young Women 17-18 placing 1st place in Discus - 110' 3", 1st place in Shot Put 28' 9", and 2nd place in High Jump 4' 6".

Black Gold

"Night Golf" winners:

This year's Black Gold festivities included an evening of "Night Golf" held Saturday, April 18, at the Belle Glade Municipal Golf Course. The results are as follows: Tie for 1st place: the team of Ken Schelecker, Tom Schelecker, Brad Wilkinson and Raymond Cunningham; and the team of Jeremy Lovell, Sutt Austin, Monty-Walden and Kevin Mann.

Third place winners were the Pope's Team.

Softball results:

This year's Black Gold festivities included an evening of softball held Saturday, April 18, at Airport Park, Belle Glade. The results are as follows:

1st place: Asquawaldo Trucking, Immokalee.

2nd place: Charlie's Tree Service, Okeechobee.

3rd place: Barney's, Okeechobee.

4th place: Life Builders, Good Shepherd Church of God, Pahokee.

5th place: Florida Crystals, Belle Glade.

Thanks to Life Builders; the Good Shepherd Church of God Youth Group; and Glades One Hour Photo for their help and support.

CLEWISTON MOTOR SPORTS PARK MAY SCHEDULE:

- Race nights: May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29.
- Special events: May 1 - Demolition Derby, May 2 - Car parts swap meet/Mother's Day, May 23 & 24 - The Mini Sprints
- Practice: May 7, 21.

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Private support boosts Belle Glade Research Education Center

Nearly \$4 million in gifts and state matches through the SHARE program has helped the Everglades Research and Education Center reach the forefront of academic and research excellence and become one of the top REC's in Florida in the acquisition of grants.

Success breeds success, and Director* of the UF/IFAS Everglades Research and Education Center Van Waddill knows that better than anyone. Nearly \$4 million in gifts, pledges and state matches through SHARE in the past ten years from a grateful Belle Glade agricultural community have helped the Center to achieve the academic and research excellence vital to the acquisition of grant funding and made the EREC the number one research and education center in Florida in the acquisition of such support.

"Gifts from the mid and early 90's from Wedgworth Farms, Inc. and others allowed us to build a student dormitory, buy equipment for the new laboratory building we moved into in '92, provide for graduate student assistants and create an endowment for a visiting professor," said Waddill. "These gifts strengthen the program a great deal. Now, because we have the equipment, students and a visiting professor, our scientists are in a much stronger position when they pursue grant funding. Success breeds success, and

the fact that we're doing well in SHARE is helping us in other aspects as well."

Wedgworth Farms, Inc. is owned by the children of Everglades area farming pioneers Ruth and Herman Wedgworth: George H. Wedgworth, Helen Jean Boynton, and Barbara Oetzman. George is president of both Wedgworth Farms, Inc. and the Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of Florida and chair of the UF/IFAS Campaign Committee.

Wedgworth Farms, Inc. made a leadership-level \$1 million gift to the EREC in 1990 for a dormitory, scientific equipment, and professorship and graduate fellowship endowments. The gift was matched with \$450,000 by the state. The company recently donated an additional \$150,000, to be matched with \$150,000 from the state, to renovate an auditorium at the EREC into a greatly needed soils laboratory.

"The proposed new soils laboratory at the University of Florida's Everglades Research and Education Center will provide a much-needed facility for improved research to determine proper plant nutrition for maximum production without causing excessive nutrient runoff that could cause harm to the ecosystem," said Wedgworth. "The newly developed advanced farming Best Management Practices require farmers to more accurately calibrate their use of plant nutrients to maximize economical and environmental benefits. We at Wedgworth Farms, Inc. are pleased to have the opportunity to contribute to this new laboratory facility."

Waddill said, "Growers are relying more and more on our soils lab to help them make decisions on fertilizer use. It is important for them to control

the amount of phosphorus in the runoff water leaving the farm, and they want to use fertilizer as economically as possible."

A gift from the Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of Florida, which came in at the same time as the Wedgworth gift, will be used to build a new, state-of-the-art 300-seat auditorium that will double the old facility's seating capacity and enable the EREC to offer first-class presentations, host grower meetings, conferences and symposia, and disseminate the latest in research information and techniques to the public. It will also be available to Belle Glade citizens, filling critical need for meeting space in the community.

According to Wedgworth, "The board of directors of the Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of Florida, acting on behalf of its 56 member-growers in the Everglades Agricultural Area, is pleased to be able to help bring the new conference center/auditorium to the EREC. We believe that research has been the underlying foundation to the success of the sugar-producing region and specifically to the Cooperative. More importantly, we believe that research will be the key to our sustainability in the future. We are pleased to be able to support the Everglades REC."

Other recent gifts through UF's "It's Performance That Counts" Capital Campaign include a \$500,000 anonymous gift for general support of the Center that is expected to receive a 50 percent match from the state and a \$100,000 gift from the Florida Rice Council to support rice research and extension programs.

"Rice is a relatively new crop in this area and a perfect example of how farmers are finding more and more innovative ways

to maximize production on their land while being good environmental stewards," said Florida Rice Council, Inc. President Rick Roth. "Flooding the land in the summertime to grow rice fits in perfectly with growing crops like vegetables and sugar cane the rest of the year, and is an excellent way to reduce soil subsidence. The growers who make up the Florida Rice Council hope their support of UF/IFAS will help to make it as profitable as it is environmentally sound."

Regular EREC supporters include Agrevo USA Company, American Cyanamid, Bayer, Calcium Silicate, RH Atochem North America, Inc., Gustafson, Knight Management, George W. Maker, Monsanto, Henry Y. Ozaki, Ricetec, Rohm and Haas, Terra International, Inc., Thermo Trilog, Valent USA Corporation, West Palm Beach County Farm Bureau, Woodard

& Curran and Zeneca, Inc.

The mission of the EREC is to conduct research and educational programs to improve agricultural practices, conserve and protect soil and water resources, and develop cost effective and energy efficient systems to permit the continued existence of agriculture in southern Florida. It is 15 scientists participate in interdisciplinary team approaches in program areas such as: organic and mineral soils, emphasizing principles and practices to reduce fertilizer use and minimize environmental degradation; irrigation, drainage, agricultural water quality and on-farm water management; genetics, plant breeding, and variety development of celery, lettuce, rice, sugarcane, turfgasses and sweet corn; Integrated Pest Management; information, analysis, and decision aids through teaching economic and management principles;

agronomic wildlife aspects of rice production in the Everglades Agricultural Area; and graduate student training.

EREC successes include: results that indicate N, P, and K fertilizer rates used in sod production can be reduced substantially from previous recommendations; publication of a Best Management Practice guidebook for P loading reduction in drainage water; new varieties of celery, lettuce, rice, sugarcane and sweet corn; refinement of IPM strategies for celery, peppers, rice, sweet corn, and sugarcane; information regarding challenges and opportunities for Florida agriculture from future trade with Cuba; and identification of soils needing silicon fertilization to maximize rice yields.

If you are interested in supporting the EREC, contact Melda H. Bassett in the SHARE office at (352) 392-1975.

- Mike Lyons Weather -

Waterspouts common from May through Oct.

By Mike Lyons

It seemed like a perfect day to work outside. At least that is what George and Betty Sherman thought as they began painting their sailboat.

Suddenly, a large waterspout formed on the other side of Boca Grande Key. It cut across the island and headed straight for George and Betty.

Dropping their paint brushes, the couple ran for a nearby Coast Guard shelter. But it was locked. Desperate, George and Betty each grabbed onto a concrete-filled drum just as the waterspout reached them.

Struck full force by the waterspout, the shelter and the drums with George and Betty clinging to them, were lifted off the ground. After a short, nerve-racking flight, attaining a height of 50 feet - the shelter and its passengers were dumped in a thick mangrove forest about 20 yards away. The couple escaped with minor injuries.

George and Betty's close encounter with a waterspout occurred in 1969. Considering the frequency of these wet whirlwinds, it's amazing stories like theirs don't happen more often.



MIKE LYONS

After all, Florida is the waterspout capital of the world. There were 141 confirmed sightings of waterspouts in 1997. However, the National Weather Service believes the vast majority of waterspouts go unreported.

Most of those spouts form in Florida Bay, which each year can experience anywhere from 50 to 500 waterspouts. The coastline from Stuart to Homestead is the world's second most prolific area of waterspout formation.

These columns of twisting water are most common from May through October, although there are always exceptions with the weather. An intense waterspout passed over Pensacola in February of 1971, causing millions of dollars in damage.

June is traditionally the busiest month for waterspouts, with August a close second. Very few funnels are reported during the dry season, which runs from November through April.

Most waterspouts form during Florida's hot and sticky afternoons. In fact, research studies indicate two peak periods of maximum formation: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Typically, waterspouts don't stick around very long. The average life span is 13 minutes.

Is a waterspout just a tornado over water? It is a complex answer because there are two different types of waterspouts: tornadic and fair-weather.

Tornadic waterspouts are spawned by strong storms, including cold fronts, squall lines, thunderstorms and even hurricanes. These tornadic waterspouts comprise about ten percent of the waterspouts in Florida and usually cause the most damage.

The fair-weather waterspouts generally form without a thunderstorm or other significant storm system. They most often develop from lines of rapidly building cumulus clouds. These waterspouts are generally smaller and weaker than the tornadic waterspout.

One characteristic of a waterspout that sets it apart from a tornado is how a waterspout forms. Waterspouts spin up from the surface of the water, unlike tornadoes, which spin down from a cloud.

Viewed from a distance, a waterspout is a perfect example of the beauty of Nature. But, as George and Betty Sherman will tell you, up close, a waterspout is just plain dangerous.

(Mike Lyons is the chief weather forecaster for WPBF-TV.)

Brush Fire Activity AND Safety Tips

So far this year, Palm Beach County Fire Rescue has responded to 163 brush fires within our county.

Due to prolonged periods of drought, plants and vegetation dry out and become fuel for brush fires. Many of these fires are caused by carelessness. The threat of damage to life and property can be greatly reduced by following some of these guidelines:

- Create a 50 foot buffer zone between any wooded area and nearby houses or buildings.
- Do not burn any trash or leaves. Besides being illegal,

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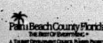
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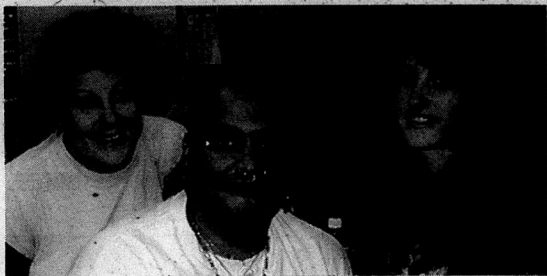
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Business partners - (L to R) Jessica Quinones, Adonis "Magilla" Martinez and Michelle Martinez.

Tattoo artist comes to town

Jennie M. Sears
Staff Reporter

In the near future Adonis "Magilla" Martinez will be opening a tattoo shop in Belle Glade along with partner Jessica Quinones.

Mr. Martinez is the first legal tattoo and body artist in the Glades area and has been working in the area for 6 years.

He was born in Arizona on an Indian reservation. As he was growing up he watched his father work as a tattoo artist and taught on to the art.

Mr. Martinez began to tattoo in 1978 and has been doing it since.

He began by redesigning bad tattoos when a friend brought her nine-year-old daughter to him. The girl had come home with a gang tattoo. They asked Adonis if it could be taken off and he covered it up with a yellow lily and a red rose. The mother left with a smile on her face. "I can cover up any bad tattoo, guaranteed!" says

Adonis.

Specializing in tribal and portrait tattoos, Adonis says "I never use a stencil and I never will."

Mr. Martinez has been voted Most Promising Renegade Tattoo Artist by *Tattoo Savage Magazine*.

Mr. Martinez and his wife Michelle have three children.

When creating a tattoo, he first cleans the skin with surgical solution and alcohol, then with a surgical marker, he draws a sketch of the desired tattoo. He uses new tubes to hold the ink and new needles for each tattoo as well as latex gloves to protect himself as well as his customers. When the tattoo is finished, he cleans the area again with alcohol, then applies an antibiotic ointment.

Mr. Martinez and Ms. Quinones have hired Doctor Donna Kleban to supervise, review and inspect the tattoo techniques, procedures, and

equipment utilized by Mr. Martinez. She will also be providing training for Mr. Martinez in the area of infection control, sterilization, and emergency procedures.

"Tattooing begins with art where reality finishes," by Hucks Spaulding. This is a quote that Mr. Martinez lives by.



Magilla is shown putting a few finishing touches to a tattoo he started on his wife, Michelle.

Brush Fire Activity AND Safety Tips

FIRE SAFETY/From 10

this activity can quickly get out of control and spread, causing serious injury and property damage.

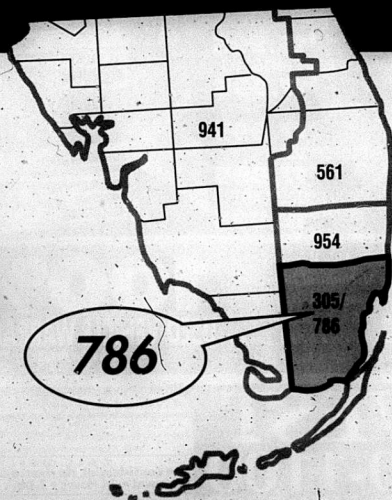
- Try to avoid cooking outdoors on windy days. If you do cook outdoors, please be sure to dispose of charcoal properly.
- Teach children not to play with matches or cigarette lighters.
- Do not discard cigarettes out car windows or on the ground in grassy areas.



These Boy Scouts attended the Gulf Stream Counsel Camporee in March. They participated in different activities and competed against other Boy Scouts. Pictured L to R are: (front row) McGee Green, Lee Gay, (second row) Anthony Sandlin, Rashied Byrd, Christopher Goggans, Jack Mayo (back row) Nelson Willis.

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Black Gold Children's Contests



Fishing contest winners of the **TODDLER DIVISION** are (l-r): Torey Tyler, Total Weight; Kasey Dulany, Largest Fish; and Gavin Harper, Smallest Fish.



Fishing contest winners **DIVISION II** are (l-r): Michael Ray Mobley, Total Weight; Yvette Bryant, Largest Fish; and Lee Gay, Smallest Fish.



Fishing contest winners **DIVISION III** are (l-r): Tyronne Jenkins, Largest Fish; Eric Morales and Nataniel Jackson who tied for Total Weight; and Juanita Tristano, Smallest Fish.



LITTLE MR. BLACK GOLD: 1998 Little Mr. Black Gold is Dennis Mikell, son of Lee & Tracy Mikell; 1st runner-up is Landon McDuffie, son of Ken McDuffie & Jennifer McDuffie; and 2nd runner-up is Matthew D. Roberts, son of Matt & Donia A. Roberts; and the following are contestants who participated - Kyle Bishop, son of Fred & Marcie Bishop; Brandon Cunningham, son of Chris & Martha Cunningham; Thomas Guerry, son of Billy & Debra Guerry; Keith Jackson, son of Marilyn McGehee; and Jon-Nicklaus Jackson, son of John Jackson & Mayra Zeno.



Fishing contest winners **DIVISION I** are (l-r): Brenda Gonzalez, Largest Fish; Ileana Gonzalez, Smallest Fish; and Curtis Mosley, Total Weight.



LITTLE MISS BLACK GOLD: 1998 Little Miss Black Gold is Allison Anne Doney, daughter of Tommy & Tammy Doney; 1st runner-up is Brianna Donn Lohmann, daughter of Brian & Angee Lohmann; and 2nd runner-up is Danielle Dixon, daughter of Scott & Elaine Dixon; and the following are contestants who participated - Kayla Bishop, daughter of Fred & Marcie Bishop; Alana Jade Byrd, daughter of Winston & Patty Byrd; Brittany Cochran, daughter of Robert & Lucinda Cochran; Ashley D. Copen, daughter of Timothy & Mireya Copen; Lauren Deoben, daughter of Mark Deoben & Jennifer Towell; Jordan Hawkins, daughter of Jeff & Terri Hawkins; Mia Elisabeth Kirchman, daughter of Danny & Sofia Kirchman; Margaret Lopez, daughter of Hector & Teresa Lopez; Laura Milagros Matos, daughter of Antonio & Laura Matos; Alyssa Menendez, daughter of Alex & Neicy Menendez; Aleigh Rene Miller, daughter of Allen & Shelly Miller; Jacqueline Mustafa, daughter of Erika Geiger; Olivia Susann Negrón, daughter of Jesse & Susie Negrón; Gabrielle Paleveda, daughter of Gary & Carol Paleveda; Kara L. Roberts, daughter of Matt & Donia A. Roberts; and Stephanie Skye Walker, daughter of Wayne & Janet Iker.

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All friends and family are invited to the wedding of **Richard Hatton** of 1749 E. Main Street, Pahokee, and **Charlene Smith** of Stuart.

The wedding will take place at the **First Church of Nazarene**, 480 Bacom Point Road, Pahokee, on **Saturday, April 25, 1998 at 7 p.m.**

A reception will follow at the Church Hall.

A good marriage is that in which each appoints the other guardian of his solitude.

—Rainer Maria Rilke

LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

On May 8, 1998 at 10:00 a.m., a public auction will be held at 685 US 27 North in South Bay, Florida.

The following vehicles will be auctioned off for charges. All sales will be cash.

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2. 1983 Buick 1G0AN5733X049748 #31525
3. 1981 Chevy 1G1AT25H1R0503715 #31523
4. 1987 Chevy 1G1FP121H1N12552 #31495
5. 1981 Ford 2FTE044X2B3A14787 #31560
6. 1989 Chevy 1G1LW14W4X2E167993 #31561

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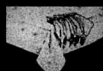
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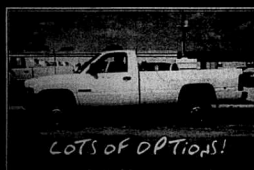


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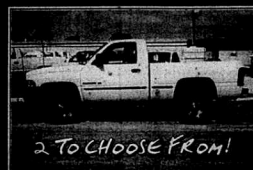


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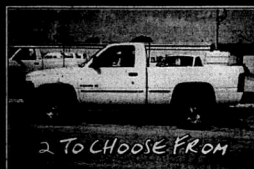


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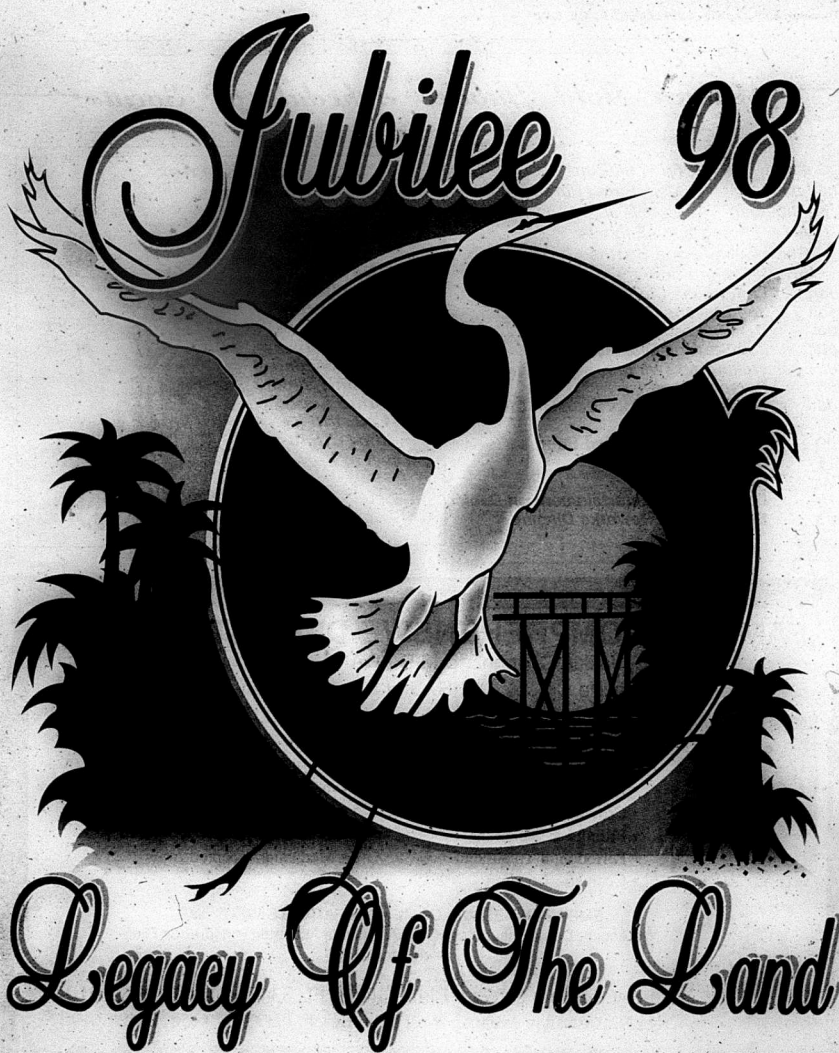


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Black Gold Jubilee Schedule of Events

7:30 a.m. 5K Walk/Run
10:00 a.m. Main Street Parade
Noon-6:00 p.m.

Art & Photography Exhibits

Glades Style Food Booths

Arts & Crafts Booths

Noon Lighthouse Cloggers
Noon Joe Stevens One Man Band
1:00 Dennis Lee
2:00 Joe Stevens One Man Band
2:00 Wellington Twirlers
2:30 Presentations
3:00 Glades Day School Jr. Glee Club
3:00 Baby Crawl
4:00 Joe Stevens One Man Band
4:15 Bart Roy
5:00 Rick Trevino
6:15 Local Sunset Entertainment on Deck
Dark Spectacular Fireworks Display

Kids Korner 12-6 p.m.

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Chairman's Welcome



Welcome to the 1998 Black Gold Jubilee. Because of the visionaries who settled here early in this century, we are observing three milestones in our community this year: the 70th anniversary of the City of Belle Glade; the 60th anniversary of the Chamber of Commerce, and the 20th anniversary of Black Gold Jubilee. This is the time of year, at the end of harvest season, that we come together as a community for a time of fun and entertainment to celebrate the God-given bounty of our rich black soil, *Black Gold*. The 1998 theme, *Legacy of the Land*, recognizes some of the many individuals in our community who have captured, with their talents, the beauty and riches of our area, and have engraved that beauty indelibly upon our hearts and minds.

I hope everyone will come and sample our wonderful Glades-style cooking, view the works of our local artists and artisans, enjoy the parade, participate in the many sporting events and contests, and enjoy the fantastic entertainment which features some of our local choirs, dance groups and individual entertainers, as well as Florida's favorite country music comedian Dennis Lee, Nashville country vocalist Bart Roy, and Columbia Records' country music artist Rick Trevino.

My heartfelt appreciation is extended to the many local businesses and individuals who have given so generously to this event, to the Black Gold Committee who has volunteered their time and talents for a year, and to the City of Belle Glade for their invaluable support in the production of the 1998 Black Gold Jubilee.

Please, Come... Enjoy... Participate... Appreciate... Belle Glade's *Legacy of the Land*.

Dianne D. Carter
Jubilee Chair

Mayor's Welcome



Welcome to our twentieth Black Gold Jubilee celebration! This year, the committee is commended for its selection of "Legacy of the Land" as its theme. Webster defines legacy as "anything handed down from an ancestor."

From our ancestors we in the Glades have inherited a rich soil in which we grow the world's most delicious corn, beans, lettuce, radishes, celery, and other vegetables, as well as sugar cane, which supplies a large portion of our nation's sugar.

We have been handed down a heart which cares for our fellow man of all races. Our bequest is a community in which our children grow in the security of love from friends as well as family.

Our gift is the example of those who have made sacrifices from which we have our churches, schools, community college, our Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, ball fields and little league games, recreation parks and housing developments. Our bequest is a desire to retain all that is good about the Glades as we look toward a future of change and potential growth.

A reflection of the legacy we celebrate challenges us to dedicate our resources of time, money, and talent to the Glades, that we may bestow to future generations a life of rewarding work, wonderful friends, security, love, and laughter.

"To set a lofty example is the richest bequest a man can leave behind him." S. Smiles



Belle Glade's City Commissioners, from left are: Dan Herring, Clay Connell, Mayor Stephen Weeks, Vice Mayor D. Bill Mathis and Daniel Bythwood.

History of the Jubilee

Originated and named in 1978, Black Gold Jubilee was created to celebrate the uniqueness of the Glades area. Our fertile "Black Gold" soil supports a huge winter vegetable operation and the largest sugar cane production in the nation.

The annual event is always scheduled as close as possible to the city's April 9, 1928 incorporation date. Although many changes have been made in the Jubilee, it remains one of the best family-oriented and entertaining celebrations in the Glades.

The Black Gold Jubilee Committee and the City Commission invite you to come out and enjoy our 20th Jubilee. Join us for our *Legacy of the Land*!



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Citizen of the Year

Buddy Sizemore



Buddy Sizemore is well-known in the Glades for his love of family, community and youth. He was honored for his commitment to Belle Glade and his contributions to the youth of this community last year by being named the 1997 "Citizen of the Year."

A standing ovation was given the former Glades Day School Headmaster when he accepted the town's highest honor at the 33rd Annual Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet, October 21.

Mr. Sizemore's long-time friend, Don Fliehs, described Buddy as "a solid rock of a man that so many of us here have been able to lean on over the years."

Mr. Sizemore moved to Belle Glade from Brevard County in 1976 with his wife, Charida, and two young sons, Trey and Brook. He worked with his father to help build a large chain of convenience stores in the area. The businesses were sold in 1991 and Mr. Sizemore became a high school accounting teacher at Glades Day School.

"His love for this school, its students and faculty was deep and profound," says Dr. Fliehs. "The opportunity to help young people pursue their dreams and reach their highest potential became a powerful force within this man," he said.

A graduate of Wake Forest University, Mr. Sizemore was also a fighter pilot in the Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for risking his life to save the lives of American soldiers during the conflict.

Mr. Sizemore was appointed headmaster at Glades Day in 1992. "During the five years he served in that capacity, the school saw unprecedented growth in enrollment, major capital improvements, and an historic merger. But more importantly," said Dr. Fliehs, "students were graduating with good academic skills, sound character, and an important sense of self-confidence."

"Through it all, it has been what this man has done for others that makes him so special," added Dr. Fliehs.

Mr. Sizemore says he loves the Glades and its people and is proud to be a part of the community. "I know that if I need help, I can go to just about anyone in this town and they would be there for me," he said. "This is a wonderful community and I felt at home from the minute I arrived here."

Mr. Sizemore has been involved in many community activities, including Rotary International, church work and many activities at Glades Day School.

Former Citizen of the Year recipients

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| 1968 - J. Avery Bass | 1983 - Bubba Mock |
| 1969 - George Wedgworth | 1984 - Frank Teets |
| 1970 - Robert E. Lee | 1985 - Dean Jones |
| 1971 - Robert E. Mathews, Jr. | 1986 - Dr. Effie Grear |
| 1972 - Robert E. Hotard | 1987 - Thomas L. Altman |
| 1973 - James A. Ball, Jr. | 1988 - John O. Schlechter |
| 1974 - W. C. Taylor | 1989 - Mary Orsenigo |
| 1975 - Ruth Wedgworth | 1990 - Carmina Murray |
| 1976 - Frank C. Anderson | 1991 - Dr. J.R. Orsenigo |
| 1977 - Francis R. (Dolly) Hand | 1992 - Larry Royal |
| 1978 - George L. Royal | 1993 - Mercedes Robinson |
| 1979 - Sam L. Lovell | 1994 - Homer Hand |
| 1980 - Sandra Chamblee | 1995 - Horace A. "Bo" Austin |
| 1981 - Fritz C. Stein, Jr. | 1996 - J. Stephen Weeks |
| 1982 - Abbie Zumph | 1997 - Buddy Sizemore |

Harvest Queen Pageant will be Friday,
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7:30 p.m.

Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center

Previous Themes of the Black Gold Jubilee

- 1979-1981 - *Annual Salute to the Soil and End of Harvest*
- 1982 - *Wonderful Soil - Bountiful Harvests*
- 1983 - *Citizens and Agricultural Community*
- 1984 - *Sweet Success*
- 1985 - *Fruits of Our Labor*
- 1986 - *Salute to the Children*
- 1987 - *Farmers - Our Heritage, Our Future*
- 1988 - *Celebration of Progress*
- 1989 - *Making Dreams Grow*
- 1990 - *A Land Remembered*
- 1991 - *Flavor of the Glades*
- 1992 - *Flavor of the Glades*
- 1993 - *Her Soil is Her Fortune*
- 1994 - *Her Soil is Her Fortune*
- 1995 - *Our Hometown Paradise*
- 1996 - *Celebration on the Lake*
- 1997 - *Celebration of the American Family*
- 1998 - *Legacy of the Land*

Agri-Industrial Man of the Year Horace Harris



Horace Harris of Belle Glade was honored with the Agri-Industrial Man of the Year award at the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce Banquet in October. Mr. Harris, 70, was presented the award by local farmer and longtime friend, Fritz Stein.

Mr. Harris owns and operates a sugarcane farm in the Glades and is a member of the Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative. During the awards ceremony, he was also commended for his community service and his willingness to help other farmers.

In 1959, Mr. Harris signed on with Wedgworth Farms and stayed for the next 37 years. He retired as their farm manager in 1994.

"One of his favorite duties over the years was serving on the Chamber's famous 'Port Committee,'" said Mr. Stein.

He has also served on the Palm Beach County Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service Committee, the Sugar Cane Variety Committee of the Florida Sugar Cane League and USDA, the Farm Bureau Board of Directors, the Belle Glade Housing Authority, the Belle Glade Rotary International and the Board of Directors of the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce.

An avid hunter and fisherman, Mr. Harris' nickname, given to him by his fishing buddies, is "Shallow Water."

Sheriff's Deputy of the Year Deputy Michael Johnson



Deputy Michael Johnson was named Sheriff's Deputy of the Year at the annual Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce Banquet in October. He was presented the award by Captain Jack Maxwell.

Deputy Johnson has been with the Sheriff's Department since April of 1996 and is also a former Belle Glade police officer.

He and his wife, Nancy, have one daughter, Jessica.

Deputy Johnson was noted for being an officer who has consoled victims of domestic violence, apprehended burglary suspects and saved lives by diving into murky canals after accident victims. He was a certified scuba diver and retired from the Belle Glade Police Dept. before taking the position at the Sheriff's Department.

In 1982, while working at the Belle Glade Police Department, he was named Police Officer of the Year for crimes he helped solve. A native Floridian born in Broward County, Michael started his law enforcement career as a dispatcher for the City of Boca Raton before moving to the Glades.

Today, Michael stays busy with his family and in the community by volunteering as an umpire for the Glades Youth Baseball.

Firefighter of the Year R. Doug Manger, Jr.



Lt. Doug Manger, Jr. was named the Firefighter of the Year at the Chamber Banquet.

He was presented the award by Fire Chief Steve Rice, who said, "His dedication to duty, professionalism and service to the citizens in our community makes him truly deserving of this honor."

Mr. Manger joined the Belle Glade Fire Department on July 6, 1979 and received his firefighter certification in 1980. He currently holds the position of combat lieutenant and his responsibilities include shift supervisor, emergency medical services and infection control coordinator for the department.

He has completed courses in vehicle extrication, where he was awarded numerous green crosses for the lives he saved, emergency medical technician, hazardous materials,

levels one and two, LP gas emergencies, basic environmental health, and fire investigation and arson detection. Mr. Manger teaches classes in the community in basic trauma life support, basic first aid and first responder, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, and pre-hospital trauma life support. Chief Rice also noted that Mr. Manger serves the community in numerous other capacities, such as a medical training officer for Glades Correctional Institution, an instructor for Palm Beach Community College, Glades and as an instructor for the American Heart Association, where he also serves on the advisory board.

Police Officer of the Year Inspector Louis L. Lowery



Belle Glade Police Inspector Louis L. Lowery is the 1997 Police Officer of the Year.

Mr. Lowery joined the Belle Glade Police Department on Oct. 30, 1970 and was certified as a police officer by the State of Florida on March 5, 1971.

Police Chief Michael Miller noted that Inspector Lowery had handled many jobs at the department, including dispatcher, identification officer, patrolman, detective, sergeant, lieutenant, detective lieutenant and currently inspector of police. "His dedication to duty and service to the community has never wavered during those years," said Chief Miller.

"He has put the bad guys in jail, risked his life to protect our citizens, been injured in the process, requiring several hospital stays to recover, helped our children when they were in trouble, comforted many in need, taught and guided many young police officers as they began their careers, gone days without sleep, months without a day off, years without a vacation, only because the job required it and he loves the job," said Chief Miller.

Inspector Lowery is a graduate of the F.B.I. Academy and has received many awards.

He and his wife, Arlene, have two sons, Matthew and Stephen.

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A celebration of the Glades and its people*

Community Pride Award City of Belle Glade

Initiated in 1988 to recognize positive visual contributions to the city that can be shared and enjoyed by others, the Community Pride Award was bestowed upon the City of Belle Glade a second time in 1997 at the Chamber of Commerce annual banquet. Belle Glade's Public Services Department and Ron Snyder were honored in 1990 for assistance in the installation of the three entranceway *Welcome to Belle Glade* signs.

Mayor J. Stephen Weeks was presented the award for the city's outstanding efforts to landscape and beautify several areas in the community. With assistance from Florida Recreation Development Program Assistance grants, the city has made major renovations to enhance the Marina Pavilion, and has constructed a lakeside nature walk for residents and visitors to enjoy. In addition, an FDOT grant provided funding for the landscaping of the medians on Main Street.

Besides the City of Belle Glade, other recipients of the Community Pride Award include Royal's Inc., Glades Correctional Institution, Belle Glade Elks Lodge #1716, Everglades Research and Education Center, and the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center.



The beautiful new deck and nature walk at the Belle Glade Marina are just a few of the many improvements the City of Belle Glade has made recently.

Committee Booklet dedication Dr. Joseph Orsenigo

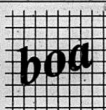


Each year the Black Gold Jubilee Committee honors a citizen in the community who exemplifies the pioneer spirit which makes Belle Glade a great place to live. This year, the committee chose Dr. Joseph Orsenigo and dedicated the 1998 Black Gold Jubilee Booklet *Legacy of the Land* in his honor.

Dr. Orsenigo is widely known throughout the area for his efforts to preserve the history of the area and his commitment to the Lawrence E. Will Museum. He has donated countless hours collecting, conserving, displaying and organizing the museum's historical artifacts. He has also had a longtime commitment to the agricultural industry through the Everglades Research and Education Center and the Florida Sugar Cane League.

A native of Barryville, New York, Dr. Orsenigo moved to Belle Glade in 1957 where he took a job as an assistant horticulturist at the University of Florida's Everglades Experiment Station (now the Everglades Research and Education Center). He retired in 1975 as professor emeritus after 19 years of service. He was appointed adjunct professor of agronomy in 1986. He joined the Florida Sugar Cane League in 1976 and served as director of agricultural research and vice president until his retirement from the league in 1990. He is currently president of SCI-AGRA, a small agricultural environmental consulting and photography firm working in vegetable crops, sod, sugarcane, and related litigation.

Joe and his wife, Mary, are the parents of Paul and Mark Orsenigo and they have four grandchildren. The family was honored as the Farm Bureau Farm Family of the Year in 1986 and Dr. Orsenigo also was recognized as Belle Glade's Agri-Industrial Man of the Year in 1972 and Citizen of the Year in 1991.



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Farm Family of the Year The Hattons

Lauded for their dedication to local agriculture, community service and volunteerism, the Joseph L. Hatton and Robert C. Hatton families were named the Western Palm Beach County "Farm Family of the Year" at a banquet held last October.

The Hattons have been farming in the Glades since the early 1930s, when two brothers, "Papa Joe" and "Uncle Bob" moved to Pahokee. The heritage of this family continues today in the Glades as millions of crates of Glades-grown Florida sweet corn move north and west to the dinner tables of millions of Americans.

Today, Roger Hatton and his sister, Arline, continue farming in the Glades while Dr. Robert Hatton delivers a new crop of Glades farmers and citizens each year as a prominent obstetrician.



The Joseph L. Hatton and Robert C. Hatton families of Pahokee were honored as the 1997-98 Everglades Agricultural Farm Family of the Year by the Western Palm Beach County Farm Bureau. Shown front row, from left, are Dr. Robert L. Hatton and his wife, Marian, Roger Hatton and Carol (Hatton) Arline.

Former Farm Bureau Farm Families of the Year

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Lighthouse Cloggers

The boot scoot'n fun starts at noon with the Lighthouse Cloggers from Jupiter. This is a lively bunch of youngsters who will soon have your toes tapping and hands clapping. The adult dance team presents a high-energy performance which is sure to set the pace for a fun-filled day of entertainment.

Wellington Twirlers

This terrific group of ninety high-stepping, baton-twirling kids from the Wellington area will win your heart. Under the direction of Adrienne Brady, they will march in the Black Gold Parade in the morning and perform at the entertainment tent at 2:00 p.m.

A great big Glades welcome to the parents and friends of this talented group of children who always pack the house for their performance at the Jubilee.

Rick Trevino Headlines



Raised on the legends of both traditional and contemporary country, from Haggard and Jones to Strait and Garth, and drawing on his roots as an Hispanic American, Rick Trevino is a remarkable and unique artist who will headline the Jubilee entertainment on April 25. Trevino's latest release is *Learning as You Go*.

Rick scored one of 1994's biggest hits with the No. 1 smash, *She Can't Say I Didn't Cry*, from his self-titled, gold-selling Columbia Records debut. When his rollicking *Doctor Time* followed in quick succession to the top of the charts, it was clear Rick was more than a contender.

Later, *Bobbie Ann Mason* from his second album *Looking For the Light*, also went Top 10. Trevino says that making this album was the experience of a lifetime. "The title song of the new album is a sad love song," says Rick, "but in another way, it relates to my own life in music in the last few years. I really have been watching, listening and learning as I go."

A native of Austin, Texas, Trevino's first two albums were also recorded and released in Spanish, and both went gold. With *Learning as You Go* also being recorded in Spanish, he has become the first country artist in decades to build a significant multi-ethnic following.

The artist says, "It was the Hispanic people who really got my career rolling. I feel a real sense of gratitude for that because of our shared heritage, but the music has never been a hybrid. It's always been straight country, in English or in Spanish."

Rick Trevino will perform on the new outdoor lakeside stage at 5:00 p.m. Be sure to come out and give him a warm welcome!

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Jubilee Entertainment

Bart Roy to entertain



Bart Roy is making a name for himself as a recording artist as well as an accomplished song writer. Among his writing credits are joint efforts with the following established professional writers: Ron Harbin (*Watch This* - Clay Walker and *Overnight Male* - George Strait), Kim Tribble (*Guys Do It All The Time* - Mindy McCreedy and *Addicted to a Dollar* - Doug Stone). Bart also has written for John Michael Montgomery and George Jones.

Bart's performances for Glades audiences include the John Anderson Concert at the Brighton Indian Reservation in December 1997 and the American Red Cross Country Music Festival in Clewiston last month.

A native Texan who now calls Nashville, Tennessee home, Bart served his country during Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm as a Marine door-gunner/observer with a CH-46E Sea Knight helicopter squadron.

His California performances include the Crazy Horse Steakhouse and Saloon in Santa Ana and The Bandstand in Anaheim. After being transferred to South Carolina, he organized a band and continued to perform about the Carolina Low Country.

Bart Roy is scheduled to entertain Jubilee audiences on the new outdoor lakeside stage at 4:15 p.m. on Saturday, April 25.

Glades Day Junior Glee Club



The Glades Day School Junior Glee Club is a high-spirited group of 60 youngsters who will perform, under the direction of Ms. Lynn Pernezy. Grandmas, grandpas, moms, dads, aunts and uncles turn out in force to watch their youngsters wow the crowd with their talent. They will perform at 3:00 p.m.

Highlights from 1,9,97



DENNIS LEE gets whimsical at last year's performance. Here he's shown goofing around with little Dennis Mikell, son of Lee and Tracy Mikell of Belle Glade.

Dennis Lee Returns to Jubilee stage



Invited back to the Jubilee by popular demand, Dennis Lee is a consummate performer who draws rave reviews wherever he goes. He is a classic, family-style entertainer that Palm Beach County audiences have adopted as their very own.

Offering something for everyone, Dennis provides an energy-packed, dance-filled performance where audience participation is as much a part of the show as the music. Performing in the tradition of Roy Clark and Mac Davis, Dennis charms and endears all ages from teenager to grandparent.

The *Dennis Lee Show* includes a blend of the year's hottest country music, the romantic and patriotic traditional country standards, the hopping beat of nostalgic 50s and 60s tunes, and the one and only Memphis sound made popular by Elvis Presley. Backed by a polished band, Dennis serves up wonderfully familiar music with his own inimitable style of comedy and antics.

Well-known for his South Florida Fair appearances, Dennis also has opened for Lee Greenwood, Randy Travis, The Gatlin Brothers, Charley Pride, Exile and Tanya Tucker.

Come early and get a good seat because the Jubilee entertainment tent will be SRO when Belle Glade welcomes back Dennis Lee at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 25.

Joe Stevens, a one man band

Joe Stevens is Belle Glade's own local celebrity. He specializes in guitar, keyboard, pedals and vocals. His various music styles include country, blues, jazz and good old rock & roll. Joe will be recognized by many Belle Glade citizens from his performances locally at a prominent eating establishment and will be appearing at the Pavilion at noon, 2:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Chris Farrell, Emcee



Chris Farrell was born in Oxford, Mississippi. He has lived in Gainesville, Miami, Ft. Pierce, Titusville and West Palm Beach. He is currently a resident of Lake Park.

Chris spent three years in the U.S. Army serving in air defense artillery in Germany from 1975 to 1978. He graduated from the University of Florida in 1983 and began his weather career right here in Palm Beach County. He's proud to be a Florida Gator and is especially happy that so many of the Glades area athletes have chosen to attend the University of Florida.

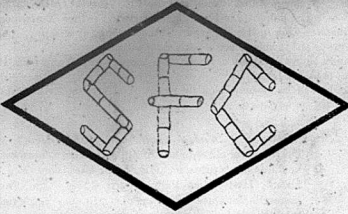
Chris has earned the American Meteorological Society (AMS) Seal of Approval for his weather education and broadcast information.

Chris has flown into two hurricanes on missions with the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

This is Chris' second year as Emcee at the Black Gold Jubilee. He says the rest of his morning crew won't let him back in the door Monday morning if he doesn't bring some famous Belle Glade "Muck Cakes" back with him!

Chris can currently be seen on WPEC TV-12 weekday mornings with the area's only local news program, from 5:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. He says he's the only person east of the lake who gets up before the chickens.

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Jubilee Entertainment

Sunset entertainment on deck

This year, the Black Gold Jubilee will be featuring local talent which is scheduled to begin at 6:15 p.m. and continue until the fireworks display which will begin at 8:00 p.m. All residents are encouraged to attend and support their local talent.



Tracy Mikell

A resident of Belle Glade for four years, Tracy is the Administrative Assistant at Glades General Hospital. She is married to Lee Mikell, vice-president and cashier at the Bank of Belle Glade. They have a son, Dennis, who is four years old.

Tracy followed in her mother's footsteps when she began singing approximately 10 years ago at church and in her high school chorus. She now enjoys singing country music by a variety of female artists and continues to sing christian music as well.

Originally from the west coast of Florida, Tracy performs at festivals, weddings and in church. Locally, she has participated in the Living Christmas Tree for the past four years. She also sang at the Black Gold Gospel Sing last year and will be doing so again this year. This past November, Tracy also participated in the Grassy Waters Gospel Sing in Pahokee.

Julie Temple



Julie has lived in Belle Glade her whole life. She is the 36 year old wife of Tom Temple.

A member of the First Baptist Church in Belle Glade, Julie is active in music and children's ministries. She has been employed as Veterinarian Assistant at Everglades Animal Hospital for 14 years.

Julie enjoys singing, camping, fishing, spending time with friends and family and working with animals.



Emily Cavinee

A resident of Belle Glade until 1993, Emily now resides in Wellington. A graduate of Glades Day School, Emily recently finished training at the Palm Beach Nail School and now works at Salon Malise. Emily was the 1995 Harvest Queen.

The daughter of Kenny and Darlene Cavinee, Emily began singing in the Glee Club in the 7th grade. She now sings at weddings, pageants and whenever she is able to accompany local talent.

Emily enjoys a variety of music from country to pop and rock. Her favorite artist is Celine Deon.

Emily will be accompanied by Frank Axtell on acoustic guitar and Rob McCarthy on keyboard.



Kaley Cathleen Schlechter

The nine year old daughter of Bill and Jeana Schlechter, Kaley has held numerous titles, including Little Miss Black Gold, Little Miss Miami, Little Miss Palm Beach County and Florida State Cinderella Tot Queen. She was also a finalist on the national level at the Little Miss Citrus Pageant.

Kaley began singing/voice and dance lessons at age three. She has performed at the Miss America Preliminaries and at various churches and weddings. She once even performed for one of the state's senators.

Kaley loves to go bike riding, roller blading, swimming and hydrosledging. She also enjoys collecting Beanie Babies.

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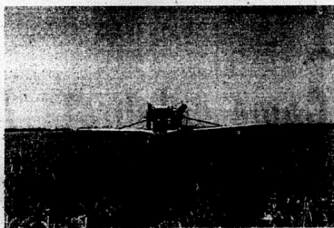
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1998 Harvest Queen Pageant Contestants

1997 Harvest Queen



Reigning Harvest Queen, Karen Decastro will bid farewell and pass the title and crown to a new recipient at the Harvest Queen Pageant on Friday, April 24. Scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, this sell-out event is co-sponsored by the Belle Glade Lions Club and Palm Beach Community College - Glades. Tickets are available at Barnett Bank.

A college freshman at Furman University, Karen is majoring in Spanish and Business. She is a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority and Alpha Epsilon Delta pre-med honor society, participates in football and basketball cheerleading, and is a Ronald McDonald House volunteer.

Karen says, "The Black Gold Jubilee provides an opportunity for everyone to come together and celebrate the bountiful harvest in the warm camaraderie for which the people of the Glades are known. It has been an honor and a thrill for me to serve as your 1997 Harvest Queen and I hope these traditions will continue for years to come."

Carla Cecilia Baez



Carla is the daughter of Juan & Ana Baez. She is 5'7" tall and has brown eyes and black hair. Carla is a junior at Glades Day School and is active in cheerleading, basketball, softball, prom committee and student council.

Carla has received most valuable defensive player on J.V. Basketball. This year she received the 6th Man Player Award on Varsity Basketball. She has also been one of the poem writing winners for Black Gold Jubilee.

"I love it in the Glades. I have lived here since I was born and it's a really great place to live," says Carla.

Carla is being sponsored by A Duda & Sons.

Krystal Diane Cavinee



Krystal is the daughter of Kenneth & Darlene Cavinee. She is 5'3" tall and has hazel eyes and brown hair. Krystal is a junior at Glades Day School and is active in tennis, yearbook, basketball and cheerleading.

Krystal has received weightlifting awards, citizenship award, has been named Student of the Month and is a class officer.

Krystal is entering the pageant because she would like to be a positive role model for young children to help provide them with goals of their own, to be the best that they can be.

Krystal is being sponsored by Everglades Farm Equipment.

1998 Harvest Queen Contestants Continued. . .

Donna Margarita Dixon



Donna is the daughter of Lawrence and Margarita Dixon. She is 5'4" tall and has hazel eyes and brown hair. Donna is a junior at Glades Day School and is active in cheerleading, student council, journalism and prom committee. She was chosen for the 1st Annual Mayor's Teen Summit and is the Student Council representative for the junior class. Donna was born and raised in Belle Glade. She says, "It's small here, but everyone knows each other and people are always willing to give a helping hand." Donna is being sponsored by R.C. Hutton, Inc.

Gina Marie England



Gina is the daughter of Aubrey and Theresa England. She is 5'3" tall and has brown eyes and hair. Gina is a junior at Glades Day School and is a member of the yearbook staff. "I thought it would be a fun experience and something that when I get older I could say well, I did that!" Gina has been awarded with "Outstanding" in a series of performances for 1997 productions of Dracula and Phantom of the Opera. She has also received "Excellent" performance awards in several drama competitions. Gina is being sponsored by A-1 Auto Service.

Cory Danielle Linder



Cory is the daughter of Mark & Christy Linder. She is 5'4" tall and has hazel eyes and dark blond hair. A senior at Glades Day School, Cory is active in the Ecology Club and is enrolled in a business class at West Tech. After graduation, she plans to attend nail school and a junior college to become a teacher. Her hobbies are participating in pageants and meeting new people. "I enjoy going out on the lake," says Cory. Cory is being sponsored by A Cut Above.

Brooke Ashley Prescott



Brooke is the daughter of Paul & Brenda Prescott. She is 5'1" tall and has brown eyes and brown hair. Brooke is a junior at Glades Day School and is active in cheerleading, National Honor Society, '98 prom committee and Student Council vice-president. Brooke says, "Because of my involvement in leadership groups and extra-curricular activities and I am able to maintain a 4.0 GPA, I feel I can be an example and role model for the younger people in the Glades. This would qualify me as a good Harvest Queen." Brooke is being sponsored by Gold Coast Turf.

1998 Harvest Queen Contestants Continued. . .

Emily Suzanne Reese



Emily is the daughter of Wayne & Cindy Reese. She is 5'4" and has blue eyes and blonde hair.

Emily is a sophomore at Glades Day School and active in cheerleading and National Honor Society. She has received the following awards: Junior National Honor Society, National Honor Society, U.S. National Mathematics, participant in the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation Workshop "The Cross Walk".

Emily says she is honest, dependable and trustworthy. "I see obligations through to the end."

Emily is being sponsored by J.H.W. Farms, Inc.

Nicolette Sophia Rivas



Nicolette is the daughter of Jorge & Tica Rivas. She is 5'5" tall and has green eyes and brown hair. Nicolette is a junior at Glades Day School and is active on the varsity cheerleading squad. She also enjoys ballet, which she has been involved in for 14 years.

Nicole was crowned the 1997 Jr. Miss Hendry County. She was 3rd runner up in her division at the National U.S.A. All American Hostess Pageant.

Nicolette is being sponsored by Air Adventures of Clewiston.

Yvette Marie Ruiz



Yvette is the daughter of Sara Perez & Rigoberto Ruiz. She is 5'3" tall and has brown eyes and black hair. Yvette is a junior at Pahokee Middle/Senior High School and is active in National Honor Society, the Foreign Language Club, varsity football cheerleading and 1997 Miss Junior Attendant for Pahokee High.

"It has been my dream as long as I can remember, that as soon as I was old enough to enter the pageant I would do so. I would love to represent the Glades by becoming the Harvest Queen," says Yvette.

Yvette is being sponsored by Florida Crystal Corporation.

Shanell Lynn Smith



Shanell is the daughter of Greg & Sandy Smith. She is 5'6" tall and has green eyes and brown hair. Shanell is a sophomore at Glades Day School and is active in cheerleading. Gymnastics and dancing are also hobbies she enjoys. Shanell was the 1996 Cheerleader of the Year for WCFL and 1996 Miss Teen South Florida Fair. In the future, Shanell would like to become a psychiatrist.

Shanell is being sponsored by Sam Jon's.

Harvest Queen Contestants Continued . . .

Amanda Leigh Snow



Amanda is the daughter of Dickie and Kendra Snow. She is 5'6" tall and has hazel eyes and brown hair. She is a junior at Glades Day School and is active in volleyball and the prom committee.

Amanda enjoys playing volleyball, exercising, spending time with friends, attending church and youth activities, singing with the youth group, and going to the lake or the beach.

Amanda is being sponsored by Lutz Builders, Inc.

Stephanie Lynn Stein



Stephanie is the daughter of Fritz III (Sonny) and Cheryl Stein. She is 5'5" tall with hazel eyes and brown hair. Stephanie is a junior at Glades Day School. Her school activities include prom committee, journalism staff and glee club.

Stephanie says her reason for entering the contest is because she always thought that it would be a fun thing to do. She was voted Miss Junior Class Representative and Glades Youth Council Member.

Stephanie is being sponsored by Stein Sugar Farms.

Denea' Marie Wood



Denea' is the daughter of Joe & Alice Wood. She is 5'8" tall and has hazel eyes and auburn hair. Denea' is a junior at Glades Day School and is in the National Honor Society, student council secretary, varsity cheerleader and is on the prom committee.

Denea' enjoys cheering, dancing (ballet), coaching Pop Warner cheerleading and aerobics.

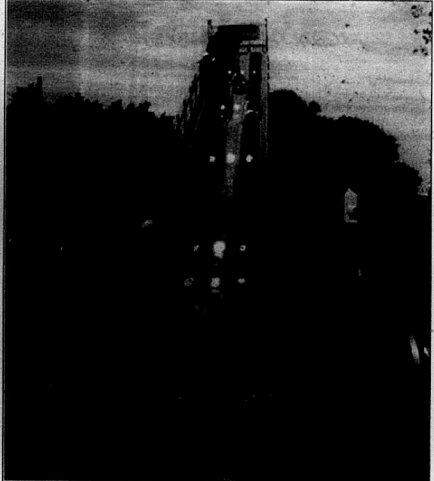
As Harvest Queen, she feels that she could be a positive role model. "I am friendly and outgoing," says Denea'. She is being sponsored by Hilliard Brothers of Florida Ltd.



THE 1997 HARVEST QUEEN AND HER COURT... Second Runner-up Robin Collier (L) and First Runner-up Tamam Barhoush (R) pause for a photo with Belle Glade's 1997 Harvest Queen, Karen De Castro.



A member of the Mocko Jumbie Stilt Dancers will be at the Black Gold Jubilee on Saturday from 1 to 3 p.m. entertaining the crowd.



The super slide was a popular kid's attraction at last year's Jubilee and thanks to Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative, the slide will be back again this year. Children can slide for free and take the ride as many times as they wish.

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With nearly 100 entries expected for the Black Gold Jubilee Parade, Chair Debbie Buff says, "This is a special year, and I'm expecting our anniversary parade to be one of Belle Glade's best."

Each year line up begins on Avenue L and the parade starts at 10 a.m. Units will move down Main Street and be judged at the reviewing stand in front of Seminole Supply Company. The parade will conclude at the City Complex.



The Wellington Twirlers will participate in the Jubilee Parade and then put on a performance at 2 p.m. under the Main Entertainment tent at the Marina.

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Photography Contest

The beauty of the Glades and its people will be showcased during the third annual Black Gold Jubilee Photography Contest. Photography Chair Karen Corbin said this year's response is the best ever, with over 40 entries in the three categories. The rules required the photographs be taken in counties surrounding lake Okeechobee and in 1997-98.

Shutterbugs could enter two of their favorite snapshots in one of three categories: Landscape/Still Life, Character (people) and Nature (birds/animals).

Last year's winners in the landscape division were: First place Jane Schoenfeld for "Airboating at Sunset"; Second place: M.V. Christakos for "Dawn Before Bertha"; and Third place: Julia Wilkinson for "Twilight in the Glades." In the Nature category Kevin Boldenow took first place for "Backyard Predator." Second place went to Kelly Teets with "The Treehouse" and Third place winner was Deborah Dulahey with "Flight of Freedom."

Character photography winners were: First place, Angee Lohmann for "Kissin' Cousins"; Second place went to Greadle York for "Where's the Water"; and Third place winner was Jane Thompson with "Backyard Bubbles." All of the photographs submitted for the 1998 Photography Contest will be on display at the Belle Glade marina during the Jubilee festivities on Saturday. Be sure to stop by the photography booth and enjoy all the great works from local shutterbugs.



Kelly Teets stands by some of the beautiful photos on display at the 1997 Black Gold Jubilee under the Photography Contest tent. Kelly took a second place plaque for her entry "The Treehouse."



The Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce will again be selling their famous "Muck Sausage" at the 1998 Jubilee. Shown, from left are Chamber Secretary Laura Edfinger, Board Member Barbie Weeks, and Chamber Executive Director Danielle Fenel.

Jubilee 5K Walk/Run

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Sponsored by First Community Bank of Palm Beach County, Earle E. Edwards, III, Dentistry, Farm Credit of South Florida, Nelson Gumucio, D.D.S., Maxis Screen Printing and Atlantic Pacific & Affordable Insurance Companies, the sponsors give free t-shirts to the first 75 entrants.

First place winners in each age group will be awarded gold medals. Second place finishers will be awarded silver medals and third place finishers will be awarded bronze medals. Plaques will be presented to the business or organization having the largest number of entrants, and to the business or organization having the highest percent of personnel participating.



Off they go...Over 300 walkers and runners participated in last year's Black Gold Jubilee 5K Walk/Run and a great turnout is expected again this year.

Children's Fishing Contest

You're never too old, or too young to fish, but last Saturday was just for children. The annual Black Gold Jubilee Children's Fishing contest began at 7 a.m. with registration at the Belle Glade Marina and the contest at 9 a.m. Belle Glade Fire Rescue hosted the event again this year and Fire Chief Steve Rice said they had an excellent turnout. "This is the fourth year the fire department has hosted this for the children," said Chief Rice. "The kids have so much fun every year. It's a pleasure to do this for them."

"We had some great prizes and gifts this year, including t-shirts, tackle packets and trophies for the winners," said Chief Rice.



Catching the big one...Elizabeth Mann had a good time last year at the Jubilee Fishing Contest. Each year several hundred children descend on the Belle Glade Marina to fish with their parents, enjoy a free meal and great prizes. Belle Glade Fire Rescue has sponsored the event the past four years.

The team who makes it happen



Shown at left are the Black Gold Jubilee Committee members who work all year planning a successful festival. Front row, from left are: Treasurer Brian Lohmann; Chamber Executive Director Danielle Peniel; Parade Chair Debbie Buff; Jubilee Chairman Dianne Carter; Entertainment Chair Brenda Bunting. Second row, from left are: Chamber Secretary Laura Enfinger; Entertainment committee members Greadle York and Barbara Milligan; Arts and Crafts Chairman Rosa Hernandez; Booth committee member Rachel McMillan; Executive Committee Vice-Chair Kenny Cavinee.

Third row, from left are: Walk/Run Committee members Juan Mata and Mark and Lee Sutterfield; Public Services Representative Mickey McGahee; Gospel Sing Chairman Robin Waggoner; Booklet Chairman and Executive Board member Sue Teets; Vendor Set-up members Lisa and Matt Mills; and Walk/Run Committee member Jeff Threlkeld.

Not shown are: Executive Board Chair Dolly Hand; Executive Board Committee member Steve Weeks; Marina Site Coordinator Mike Underwood; Children's Activities Chair Angee Lohmann; Volleyball Chair Jennie Seagraves and Volleyball Committee member Charly Martin; Photography Contest Chair Karen Corbin; Police Department Representatives Curtis Stambaugh, Dan Crist, Chief Mike Miller and Lynn Lowery; Fishing Contest Chairman Steve Rice; Gospel Committee member Cheree Bowers; Vendor Set-up committee member Billy Guerry; Dance Chair Lesley Connell and Dance Committee members Lyn'D Hart and Barbara McMillan; Parade members Cheryl Stein, Karen Milligan, Carl Seibert and Claudia Padgett; Children Activities Chair Kim Korbly; Softball Chairman Mark Allen; Booth Committee member Rachel McMillan; Artist and Booklet Cover designer Ann Tyler, and Stage Designer Dorinda Shuts.

Golfers love Night Golf

Night Golf was played on the golfers were off with a Saturday, April 18. The tournament was a best-ball scramble, with 14 teams vying for first, second and third place prizes. Look in this week's issue of *The Sun* for the final results.



Once the Tiki torches were lit and everyone bathed in the glow of the torches, the carts through very dark paths and everyone bathed in the glow of the torches.

Night Golf is watching otherwise talented golfers trying their best just to make contact with the lighted balls and tees! Equally challenging is trying to maneuver the golf carts through very dark paths.

Softball Tournament

After a few years' absence, the softball tournament has found its way back to the Jubilee schedule of events. Mark Allen and the members of Life Builders will sponsor this exciting and popular activity.

Allen says, "We've had a lot of people show an interest in bringing back the tournament, and we hope you will plan to come out and help us have a successful event."

The tournament was played at Airport Park during the weekend of April 17 and 18. Look for results in this week's issue of *The Sun*.



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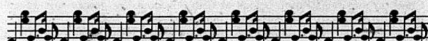
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Gospel Sing



The Gospel Sing is a highlight of the Jubilee activities. Scheduled for Tuesday, April 21 at 7:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Belle Glade, it will feature a variety of gospel music by some of your favorite Glades area talent! Groups include school and church choirs and ensembles, soloists, trios, bells and a ventriloquist. Under the direction of Robin Waggoner and Cheree Bowens, the Gospel Sing is a community event you will not want to miss!

During the Gospel Sing, we will pause for the blessing of the soil. This is a special time to give thanks for the bountiful harvests of vegetables and sugarcane the muck soil of the Glades provides.



These cute little boys and girls sang about Noah's Ark at last year's Jubilee Gospel Sing. Aren't they cute?



Duda shows off some of the produce grown right here in the Glades during the Jubilee Parade last year. They won an award for this float.

Little Mr. & Miss Black Gold

Boys and girls ages 3-6 were invited to participate in the annual Little Mr. and Miss Black Gold contest. The event was held April 18 at 4 p.m. at Glades Day School's Tripp Hall.

High school students escorted the children on stage where they were interviewed by veteran emcee Cathy Lee.

A panel of experienced judges selected a Little Mr. Black Gold and two runners-up.

These cuties will participate in the Black Gold Parade at 10:00 a.m. Saturday morning and will be introduced to the crowd during Dennis Lee's performance.

See the 'A' section of today's issue of *The Sun* for winners' photos and names. Here are some highlights from last year's Little Mr. & Miss Black Gold Contest:

1997 Little Miss Black Gold



AREN'T THEY LOVELY. Eighteen Glades beauties entered last year's contest which was held at the Belle Glade Elks' Lodge. Contest winners were (l-r): 1st Runner-up, Margaret Lopez; 2nd Runner-up, Brianca Spence; 1997 Little Miss Black Gold, Danielle Tritt; 4th Runner-up, Emma Paez; and 3rd Runner-up, Olivia Negron.

1997 Little Mr. Black Gold



LITTLE GENTLEMEN. These handsome fellows seemed pleased to receive trophies in last year's Little Mr. & Miss Black Gold Contest. Shown are (l-r): 1st Runner-up, Chase Courson; 1997 Little Mr. Black Gold, Jacob Carter; and 2nd Runner-up, Kyle Monti.



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Jubilee Dance

Kicking off an exciting seven days of festivities, the Jubilee Dance was Saturday, April 18 at the Drawbridge Cafe. Although scheduled for 10:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m., the dance began as soon as the local duffers completed their night golf tournament.

D.J. Jump in Junior was on hand to play everyone's favorite tunes. Committee members assisting Dance Chair Lesly Connell were Lyn'D Hart and Barbara McMillan.



Lakeside Volleyball

It's time for Lakeside Volleyball again, so plan now for the big event, and don't miss the fastpaced action at the Belle Glade Marina.

The Black Gold Jubilee Volleyball Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, April 25 during the Jubilee's day-long festivities. Tournament play will consist of 10 corporate teams in a round robin format. This will allow each team to play a minimum of four games.

Registration is \$110 per team which includes entry fee and volleyball T-shirt for each player. Prizes will go to the first place players and a plaque will go to the first and second place players and a plaque will go to the first and second place corporation/group.

While enjoying the food, music, games, and arts and crafts, take time to stroll by the volleyball courts and cheer the teams on to victory. See you there!



Spike that ball! The Lakeside Volleyball Tournament is a fun and competitive tournament. Everyone enjoys watching those teams out there sweating it out for first place.

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The baby crawl is always a popular event at the Jubilee and draws a good crowd. Babies must crawl from one side of the mat to the other without walking and prizes are awarded for the first, second and third baby who crosses the line.

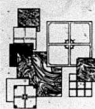
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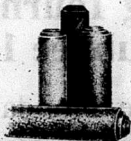
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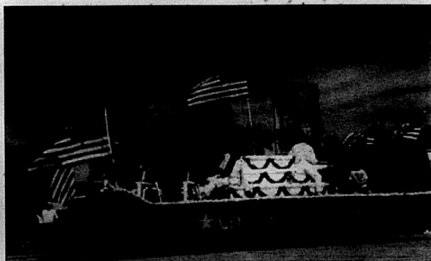


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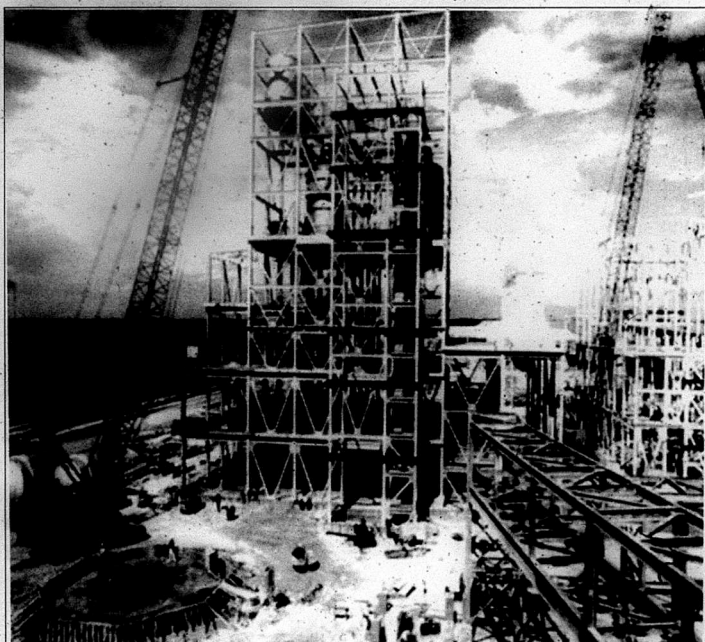
A bird's eye view of the 1997 Jubilee is shown above. The Belle Glade Marina has added a beautiful deck overlooking the water and a nature walk for people to enjoy.

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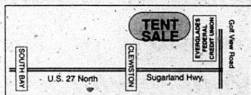
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